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MEMBERS  
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1883-84.

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ALLAN L. McDERMOTT, PRESIDENT.

EMIL E. DATZ,

OTTO HEPPENHEIMER,

THOMAS D. JORDAN,

JOHN D. MCGILL,

JOHN T. VAN CLEEF, CLERK.





# STANDING COMMITTEES.

1883-84.



## *Finance and Claims.*

JORDAN,                      HEPPENHEIMER,                      DATZ.

## *Coucurrent Resolutions,*

DATZ,                      HEPPENHEIMER,                      MCGILL,

## *Salaries, Taxes and Assessments.*

HEPPENHEIMER,                      MCGILL,                      JORDAN.

## *Printing, Stationary and Supplies.*

MCGILL,                      DATZ,                      HEPPENHEIMER.





# MINUTES.

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The members of the Board of Finance and Taxation met in the City Hall, Friday, April 13, 1883 at 8 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of organizing and transacting business.

There were present Marcus Beach, John D. McGill, Simeon H. Smith, Maraduke Tilden and Otto J. Witsch.

The meeting was called to order by the Clerk and on motion of Mr. Tilden, Mr. Smith was elected to act as President pro tempore.

By Mr. Tilden and carried:

Moved, That we do now proceed to the election of a permanent President.

The President pro tempore declared nominations to be in order and appointed Messrs Tilden and Witsch as tellers.

Mr. Witsch nominated Marcus Beach.

Mr. McGill nominated Otto J. Witsch.

No other nominations were made.

One ballot was taken with the following result:

Marcus Beach received three votes.

Otto J. Witsch received one vote.

One blank vote was cast.

Marcus Beach having received a majority of the votes cast the President pro tempore declared him duly elected President of the Board for the ensuing year.

The President elect took the chair.

By Mr. Tilden and carried:

Moved, That we do now proceed to the election of a clerk for the ensuing year.

Mr. Tilden nominated John T. Van Cleef.

No other nominations were made.

One ballot was taken the same tellers acting.

The result was as follows:

John T. Van Cleef received five votes and that being the whole number of votes cast the President declared him duly elected clerk of the Board for the ensuing year.

By Mr. Smith and carried:

Moved, That the rules of order adopted by the last preceding Board of Finance and Taxation be adopted by this Board.

## PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS.

The petition of E F C Young, receiver, for compromise of assessments, was received and

referred to the Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments when appointed.

The petition of Francis E Bliss for compromise of assessments was received and referred to the Committee of the Whole.

On motion the Board took a recess for five minutes.

On reassembling all the members were present.

The Committee of the Whole reported on petition of Francis E Bliss for compromise of assessment recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Collector be and he is hereby authorized to receive from Francis E. Bliss the face value of the following assessment:

On lot No. 43, block 279, without interest, viz:

Lateral sewer in Bergen, Belmont to Montgomery, \$475.

Provided all other taxes and assessments are paid in full with interest, and the payments all made within sixty days from the date of the passage of this resolution, otherwise the resolution to be null et void and of no effect whatever.

The President having called for the yeas and nays on the above resolution the report of the committee was received and the resolution adopted unanimously.

By Mr. Tilden and carried:

Moved, That when this Board adjourns it will adjourn to meet Monday, April 16th, 1883, at 10 o'clock a. m.

By Mr. Smith:

Resolved, That the Clerk of this Board be and he is hereby authorized to have thirty copies of the printed manuals of the proceedings of the last year of the Board of Finance and Taxation suitably bound subject to the approval of the Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies when appointed.

The President having called for the yeas and nays on above resolution it was adopted unanimously.

On motion the Board adjourned.

JOHN T. VAN CLEEF, Clerk.





Regular adjourned meeting of the Board of Finance and Taxation, held in the City Hall Monday, April 16, 1883, at 1 o'clock p. m.

Present—President Beach, Messrs. McGill, Tilden and Witsch.

Absent—Mr. Smith,

On motion, the reading of the minutes of the last meeting was dispensed with and they were laid over for approval at the next meeting.

On motion the Board adjourned to meet Friday, April 20, 1883, at 7-30 o'clock p. m.

JOHN T. VAN CLEEF, Clerk.





Regular adjourned meeting of the Board of Finance and Taxation held in the City Hall, Friday, April 20, 1883, at 7:30 o'clock p. m.

Present—President Beach, Messrs. Smith, Tilden and Witsch.

Absent—Mr McGill.

The reading of the minutes of April 13th and 16th, 1883, was dispensed with and they were approved as printed in manual form.

The President announced the Standing Committees for the ensuing year as follows:

1. Committee on Finance and Claims—Messrs McGill, Tilden and Witsch.

2. Committee on Concurrent Resolutions—Messrs. Tilden, Witsch and Smith.

3. Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments—Messrs. Smith, McGill and Tilden.

4. Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies—Messrs. Witsch, Smith and Tilden.

#### PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS.

Petition of A. B. Cosgrove and William H. Green for compromise of assessment.

Petition of Alfred B. Dayton for the return of money paid for error on taxes.

All the above petitions were received and referred to the Committee on Salaries Taxes and Assessments.

#### PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS.

Claim of the New Jersey Telephone Company of \$6.15 for rent of instrument and tollage for the month of April, 1883.

Claim of Heppelheimer & Maurer of \$39 for printing law cases.

Both received and referred to the Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies.

#### OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

I emitted requisitions for stationery were received from the Board of Assessors and City Clerk both of which were referred to the Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies with power.

Official Bond of John Egan as Fire Commissioner in the sum of \$15,000 with Richard B. Fish and Edward Hope as sureties.

Official Bond of Henry Windecker as Fire Commissioner in the sum of \$15,000 with Ebrahim S. Wells and John Weibach as sureties.

Official Bond of Henry Lambeck as a member of the Board of Public Works in the sum of \$15,000 with John Betz and Henry A. Stehn as sureties.

Official Bond of Benjamin Van Keuren as a member of the Board of Public Works in the sum of \$15,000 with John R. Halladay and James Warner as sureties.

Official Bond of Christian Helms as a member of the Board of Public Works in the sum of \$15,000 with Avend Steenken, Peter Semler and Henry Stuhr as sureties.

Official Bond of Patrick Buckley a Police Commissioner in the sum of \$15,000 with Thomas Kelly and John McDonough as sureties.

Official Bond of Otto W. Meyer as Police Commissioner in the sum of \$15,000 with John H. Banders and Jacob Eschvay as sureties.

All the above official bonds were received and referred to the Committee on Finance and Claims.

The City Comptroller reported the following total receipts of the City Treasury April 12th to 20, 1883 both days included as \$47,087.81.

The report was received and ordered filed.

Communication from the City Comptroller submitting the following statement of the Bonded Debt of Jersey City April 1st 1883.

General bonded debt.....	\$5,564,950
Assessment ".....	6,010,500
Water ".....	4,503,000

Total.....\$16,078,450

Less bonds belonging to sinking fund included in above..... 426,585

\$15,651,865

The communication was received and ordered filed.

Resolution of the Board of Public Works requesting transfer of \$315.39 from the appropriation for public buildings and grounds fiscal

year 1881-82 to the appropriation for streets and sewers same year. Received and referred to the Committee on Finance and Claims.

Two concurrent resolutions ordering paid claims from the Board of Public Works were received and referred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions.

On motion, the Board took a recess.

The Board reassembled, the same members present.

#### REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Finance and Claims reported the following official bonds, recommending that they be approved, spread at large on the Bond book and filed:

As Fire Commissioners, Henry Windecker and John Egan.

As members of the Board of Public Works, Henry Lambeck, Benjamin Van Keuren and Christian Helms.

As Police Commissioners, Patrick Buckley and Otto W. Meyer.

The same committee reported on the claim of the Evening Journal Association recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the sum of two thousand and thirty-six dollars and sixty cents (\$2,036.60) be paid to the Evening Journal Association for advertising expiration of time for redemption of lands sold for taxes of 1875, the warrant not to be delivered until all arrearages of taxes are paid.

The President having called for the ayes and nays on the above resolution the reports of the committee was received and the resolution and recommendations adopted by the following vote:

Ayes—President Beach, Messrs. Smith, Tilden and Witsch.

Absent—Mr McGill.

The Committee on Concurrent Resolutions reported on concurrent resolutions from the Board of Public Works recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the following resolution, adopted by the Board of Public Works, January 15th, 1883, to-wit:

Resolved, That by and with the concurrence of the Board of Finance and Taxation the Committee on Extensions and Distributions be and is hereby authorized to purchase and lay about 220 lineal feet of six inch cast iron water pipe in Linden avenue, from Ocean avenue to a point 200 feet north thereof on application of Jacob Krefer Jr., be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution, adopted by the Board of Public Works, April 9th, 1883, to-wit:

Resolved, That by and with the concurrence of the Board of Finance and Taxation the Committee on Extensions and Distributions be and is hereby authorized to purchase and lay about 300 lineal feet of six inch cast iron water pipe in Reservoir avenue from end of Old Pike to Pallades avenue, and in Pallades avenue to Reservoir avenue to Prospect avenue, on application of Railroad at Summit avenue is a danger to the life of Mr. Hamme Schlag and others, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the preamble and resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works, December 18th, 1882, in the matter of the opening of Woodward street from Communipaw avenue to the northerly line of the property of the Newark & New York Railroad Co., and awarding damages to property owners for property taken in making said improvement, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the pay roll resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works, April 9th, 1883, as presented by the Committee on Extensions and Distributions for the month of March, 1883, amounting to \$1,022.08, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the pay roll resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works, April 9th, 1883, as presented by the Committee on Pumping and Reservoirs for the month of March, 1883, amounting to \$2,086.02; be and is



her by concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the pay roll resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works, April 9th, 1883, as presented by the Committee on Pumping and Reservoirs, in account of reservoir No. 2, amounting to \$309.63; be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved That the following resolution, adopted by the Board of Public Works March 26th, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That by and with the concurrence of the Board of Finance and Taxation the Committee on Pumping and Reservoirs, be and is hereby authorized to advertise for proposals for furnishing and delivering about 7000 gross tons of anthracite coal, at Belleville and High Service Pumping Station, according to specifications on file and approved by the Board of Public Works previous to advertising, be and is hereby non-concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation for the reason that from experience in previous years this Board deem it necessary to know the kind and quality of coal the Board of Public Works intend to advertise for.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works April 9th, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That the sum of \$103 be paid to Dennis Lafer for roofing and labor at pipe yard, be and is hereby non-concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation, for the reason that the prices charged are too high by at least 35 to 40 per cent.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works April 9th, 1883 to wit:

Resolved That \$45.89 and \$46.77 be paid to L. G. Williams, \$11.95 to H. E. McKardland, \$464, \$464, \$44, \$464, \$47, \$348 and \$348 to H. E. Bondolph, \$16 to R. J. Whalen, agent \$192.41 to Wood & Wood, \$44.55 to John Ogden, \$7 to Charles Thiel, \$4.25 to N. J. Frele Presse, \$13.75 to Thomas Noonan, \$1.75 to E. J. Whaler, agent; \$348.95 to John Carey, \$147.41 to and Menach, \$61.64 to Dugan & Fitzsimons be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works April 9th, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That \$4.25 and \$4.95 be paid to N. J. Frele Presse, \$4.25 to Dugan & Fitzsimons, \$13.95 to James Muldoon, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

The President having called for the ayes and nays on each of the above resolutions the reports of the Committee were received and the resolutions and recommendations adopted by the following vote:

Ayes—President Beach, Messrs. Smith, Tilden and Witsch.

Assent—Mr. McGill.

The Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments reported recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

On petition of Washington B. Williams, receiver.

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby authorized to receive from Washington B. Williams receiver, the face value of the following assessments without interest, to wit:

Improvement of West Grand street, pile foundation, lots 6, 7, block 340.....	\$51 34
Nicholson pavement on West G and street and Newark plank road, lots 6 and 7, block 330.....	441 22
Main sewer, Section "A," Second Drainage District, on lots 6 and 7, block 330	247 52
Widening West Grand street, Mt. Creek Golden Place, on lots 6 and 7, block 330.....	157 10
Grading, curbing and flagging Grand street and Newark plank road, lots 6 and 7, block 330.....	802 16
Improvement of Newark avenue, Five Corners to the Hackensack River, lot 28 block 589, 827 Newark avenue.....	106 12
Main sewer in Newark avenue, Five Corners to the Hackensack River, lot 28, block 589.....	241 47

Provided all other assessments and taxes are paid in full, with interest and costs, if any, and said payments are made within sixty days from the date of the passage of this resolution, otherwise the resolution to be null, void and of no effect.

On petition of John E. Smith:

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby requested to receive from John E. Smith or his representatives, the face value of the following assessments, without interest, to wit:

Improvement of Monticello avenue, lots 101, 103, 105 and 107, block 286.....	\$30 93
Improvement of West Grand street, lots 101, 103, 105 and 107, block 286.....	9 89
Grading Monticello avenue, lots 101, 103, 105 and 107 block 286.....	88
Extending and widening Jewett avenue, lots 101, 103, 105 and 107, block 286.....	52 59
Main sewer, Section "A," second Drainage District.....	11 43
Main sewer, Section "B," second Drainage District.....	209 06

Provided all other assessments and taxes are paid in full, with interest and costs, if any; and provided further, that said payments are made within sixty days from the date of the passage of this resolution, otherwise the resolution will be null and void and of no effect.

On petition of William Brinkerhoff:

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby authorized to receive from William Brinkerhoff the face value of the following assessments without interest, to wit:

Main sewer in Section "A," Second Drainage District on lots Assessors Nos. 3,299, 3,300, 3,301, 3,302, 3,303, block 230.....	\$34 47
Main sewer in Section "B," Second Drainage District on lots Assessors Nos. 3,299, 3,300, 3,301, 3,302, 3,303, block 230.....	576 78
Widening Broad or Franklin street and Mountain Road, lot 80, Assessors No. 247, block 734.....	2 17
Flagging east side of Montgomery or Central avenue from Hoboken avenue to Jackson street and bridging same from Hoboken avenue to Paterson Plank Road, lot 80, Assessors No. 134, block 734.....	4 73

Provided all other taxes and assessments on said property are paid in full with interest and costs and said payments all made within sixty days from the date of the passage of this resolution otherwise the resolution to be null and void and of no effect whatever.

On petition of E. F. C. Young, Receiver:

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby authorized to receive from E. F. C. Young, Receiver or his representatives the face value of the following assessment without any interest to wit:

Assessment for main sewer in Newark avenue, Five Corners to the Hackensack River on lot 2, Assessors No. 116, block 589.....	\$135 35
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Provided all other assessments and taxes due on said property are paid in full with interest and costs if any and provided further that said payments are made within sixty days from the date of the passage of this resolution otherwise the resolution to be null and void and of no effect.

On petition of the Dime Savings Bank of Hudson City:

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby authorized to receive from the Dime Savings Bank of Hudson City or its representatives the face value of the following assessments without interest to wit:

Extension of Warren street from east side of Paterson Plank Road to Hoboken City line, lot 269 block 791.....	\$2 33
Improvement of Warren, now Congress street, from Paterson Plank Road to Central avenue, lot 269 Assessors No. 11, block 791.....	\$29 25
Flagging east side of Montgomery or Central avenue from Jackson street to Paterson Plank Road, lot 269, block 791.....	33 23

Provided all other assessments and taxes due





on said property are paid in full with interest and costs. If any, and provided further, that said payments are made within sixty days from the date of the passage of this resolution, otherwise the resolution to be null and void and of no effect.

On petition of William E. Dudley :

Resolved, That the City Collector be required to cancel the assessment against lot 43, B, block 551, as apportioned by the City Comptroller for the years in which the same is taxed as it is a duplicate assessment, the same property being included in the assessment levied against lot 45, block 551, as per report of the Assessor attached, the property being in the name of Wm E. Dudley.

On petition of Jacob Ewald :

Whereas, Jacob Ewald on January 20, 1880, paid to the City Collector the sum of \$90.88 and on December 2, 1880, the sum of \$94.80 intending said payments to be applied to taxes on lot 8, block 381, for the years 1879 and 1880; and

Whereas, in reality said payments were credited to lot 7, block 381, and the taxes on lot 7 having been twice paid; therefore

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby requested to transfer the payment of \$90.88, credited to lot 7, block 381, for taxes of 1879, to lot 8, block 381 same year, and the payment of \$94.80 credited to lot 7, block 381, for taxes of 1880, to lot 8, block 381, same year, provided the said Jacob Ewald pays to the City Collector the difference between said payments and the amount of taxes due on said lot 8, block 381, for the years 1879-80.

On petition of William Keneey :

Resolved, That the petition of William Keneey for a compromise of an assessment for improvement of Walnut street, now Johnston Avenue from Grand to Pine Streets, or lot 17 Block 445 amounting to \$158.00 be not granted said assessment having formerly been set aside and reassessed. The present assessment in the opinion of this Board being a reasonable one

On petition of J. Clark :

Resolved, That the petition of J. Clark for a rebate of interest on taxes due on lot 1, 2, 3, 4, block 1, 432, Sixth district, be not granted, this Board not deeming it for the best interest of Jersey City to compromise taxes.

On petition of Alfred A. Dayton :

Resolved, That the petition of Alfred A. Dayton for the cancellation of tax sale be not granted, no good and sufficient reason having been shown.

The President having called for the yeas and nays on each of the above resolutions the reports of the Committee were received and the

resolutions and recommendations adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—President Beach, Messrs. Smith, Tilden and Witsch

Absent—Mr. McGill.

The Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies reported recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

On claim of Heppenneimer & Maurer :

Resolved, That the sum of \$39.00 be paid to Heppenneimer & Maurer for printing law cases.

On claim of the New Jersey Telephone Co. :

Resolved, That the sum of \$6.15 be paid to the New Jersey Telephone Co. for rent of instrument and tollage for the month of April, 1883

The President having called for the yeas and nays on each of the above resolutions the reports of the committee were received and the resolutions adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—President Beach, Messrs. Smith, Tilden and Witsch.

Absent—Mr. McGill.

#### MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

By Mr. Tilden :

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of George H. Farrier, County Collector, for the sum of \$16,000 to be applied on account of county taxes for the year 1882-'83.

By Mr. Tilden :

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of George H. Farrier, County Collector, for the sum of \$10,000, to be applied on account of State tax, for the year 1882-'83.

By Mr. Smith :

Whereas, in the opinion of this Board the cost of laying water pipes from 50 to 100 per cent. more than it ought to be; and

Whereas, This Board has asked the Board of Public Works to advertise for proposals for laying the same by contract, therefore be it

Resolved, That this Board insist on the Board of Public Works advertising for proposals for laying water pipe by contract.

The President having called for the yeas and nays on each of the above resolutions they were adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—President Beach, Messrs. Smith, Tilden and Witsch.

Absent—Mr. McGill.

By Mr. Tilden and carried:

Moved, That the Board do now adjourn to meet Thursday, April 26th, 1883 at 7:30 o'clock, p. m.

JOHN T. VAN CLEE, Clerk.





Regular adjourned meeting of the Board of Finance and Taxation, held in the City Hall Thursday April 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1883, at 7:30 o'clock p.m.

Present—All the members

On motion the reading of the minutes of the last regular meeting was dispensed with and they were approved as printed in manual form.

#### PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Petition of Margaret Tappan for rebate on assessment. Received and referred to the Corporation Counsel.

Petition for compromise of assessments were received from the executors of George Vreeland, William Keerey and T. D. Mills, all of which were referred to the Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments.

#### PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS.

Claim of B. F. Corduan of \$175 for lock and keys. Received, and referred to the Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies.

#### OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

The following official bonds were received and referred to the Committee on Finance and Claims:

Official bond of Thomas Leather as Fire Commissioner in the sum of \$15,000, with Isaac L. Vanderbroek, John D. Cascardin, William Hanks and Henry Nibbets as sureties.

Official bond of Henry Crawford as Constable in the sum of \$1,000, with George E. Carter and George C. Doyle as sureties.

Official bond of Thomas J. Coggin as constable in the sum of \$1,000, with Michael Aschford and John Hogan as sureties.

The City Comptroller reported the following total receipts of the City Treasury April 21st to 28th 1883, both days included, at \$17,611.88.

The City Treasurer reported the following total balance credited to all the accounts in the city depositories at the close of business this day at \$43,151.77.

Both reports were received and ordered filed.

Resolution from the Board of Directors of Education requesting transfer of \$268.33 from the account of janitors, clerks and others for the month of May, 1883, to the same account for the month of April, 1883.

Resolution from the Board of Public Works requesting transfer of the appropriation for Public Buildings and Grounds for the months of May and June to the credit of the same committee for the month of April, present fiscal year, for the purpose of paying fire insurance.

Both the above resolutions were received and referred to the Committee on Finance and Claims.

The following concurrent resolutions were received from the Board of Public Works and referred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions:

1. Authorizing the purchase and laying of water pipe in Pearl avenue from Washington avenue to Avenue "E."

2. Authorizing the purchase and laying of water pipe in Leonard street from Summit to Central avenue.

3. Ordering paid salary of John M. Bastian for services as janitor, &c., for the month of April, 1883.

4. Two resolutions ordering paid certain claims.

On motion the Board took a recess.

The Board reassembled, all the members present.

#### REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Finance and Claims reported on petitions for rebate on assessments, recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Samuel W. Halsey, executor of B. S. Halsey, deceased, for the sum of \$150.98, being the difference between the old and new assessment for improvement of Bergen avenue from Union street to the southerly line of the city on lots 49, 51, 53, 55, 105, 107, block 604.

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Richard G. Sipp, Sarah E. Sipp and Louis A. Brigham, executors of Richard Sipp, deceased, for the sum of

\$77.95, being the difference between the old and new assessment for paving Bergen avenue on lot 5, block 75.

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Charles Cowper for the sums of \$10.90, \$6.58 and \$8.93, being the difference between the old and new assessment for the improvement of Pine street, Communipaw to Johnson avenue on lots Nos. 2, 3 and 4, block 477.

The same committee reported on resolution from the Board of Public Works recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the City Comptroller be and is hereby instructed to transfer the sum of \$815.99 from the account of streets and sewers Board of Public Works fiscal year 1881 and 1882.

Resolved, That the City Comptroller be requested to transfer the credit of the appropriation for public buildings and grounds the appropriation remaining to the credit for the months of May and June to the month of April present fiscal year Board of Public Works for the purpose of paying fire insurance.

The same committee reported on resolution from the Board of Directors of Education recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the City Comptroller be and is hereby instructed to transfer the sum of \$268.33, from the account of salaries of janitors, clerks and others month of May, 1883, to the account of salaries janitor, clerks and others for the month of April, 1883. Board of Directors of Education fiscal year 1882-83.

The same committee reported on the official bond of Thomas Leather as Fire Commissioner recommending that the same be approved, spread at large on the bond book and filed.

The President having called for the ayes and nays on each of the above resolutions the reports of the committee were received and the resolutions and recommendations adopted unanimously.

The Committee on Concurrent Resolutions reported on concurrent resolutions from the Board of Public Works recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works April 23, 1883, do wit:

Resolved, That the sum of \$80 be paid to John M. Bastian for services as janitor for month ending April 30, 1883, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works April 23, 1883 do wit:

Resolved, That \$88.49 be paid to Wm. Van Keuran for labor on Montgomery street bridge, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works April 16, 1882 do wit:

Resolved, That \$223.65 be paid to Matthew A. Hearn for salt hay, \$51.50 to A. Ziebelin, \$24.88 to C. A. Toles, \$29.50 to Northrup & Co., \$265.72 to Woodward, Sherwood & Co., \$51.93 to Philip E. Martin, \$3.25 to N. J. Frele Presse, \$19 to E. J. McFarland, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution, adopted by the Board of Public Works, April 20, 1883, do wit:

Resolved, That \$3 be paid to Joseph Smith, \$34.84 to Woodward, Sherwood & Co., \$7.80 and \$3.80 to Evening Journal Association, \$39 to John W. Lynch, \$4.15 to Steele & Condict, \$148.93 to Wood & Menagh, \$3.28 to Woodward, Sherwood & Co., \$58.78 to Duzan & Fitzsimons, \$5 to Hugh Coyne, \$24.20 to E. Lisey, \$1.23 to Wood & Menagh, \$5.20 to Evening Journal Association, \$8.75 to George Wood, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

The President having called for the ayes and nays on each of the above resolutions, the reports of the committees were received and the resolutions adopted unanimously.

The Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments reported the salary list for the month



of April, 1883, recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That warrants be drawn for the payment of salaries for the month of April, 1883, when due, viz:

Isaac W. Tanssieg Mayor, \$ 66 66; Thomas Earle, City Treasurer, \$200; Samuel C. Nelson, City Comptroller, \$200; James H. Love, City Collector, \$20; Leon Abbott, Corporation Counsel, \$338 33; Allan T. McDermott, Corporation Attorney, \$150; John T. Van Cleet, Clerk to Board of Finance and Taxation, \$100; Isaac Morrow, Jr., Clerk to Treasurer, \$100; George R. Hough, Clerk to Comptroller, \$100; Andrew D. Whyte, Assistant Collector, \$110; Clerks to Collector: S. D. Dickinson, \$38 33; John T. McKyer, \$70; Lewis E. Smith, \$70; James E. Connolly, \$70; Charles Krebs, \$70; William H. Tuttle, \$70; Charles Freeman, \$70 60; Patrick O'Neill, Messenger, \$60 00; William H. Powell, Marshal, 3d District Court, \$50; Clerks to City Clerk: Thomas K. Helstead, \$75; N. E. Feury, \$75; R. L. Hudson, \$66 66; Assessors: James F. Gannon, East District, \$ 08 33; Dennis McLaughlin, 2d District, \$102 33; Hugh Dugan, 3rd District, \$103 33; John Wright, Fourth District, \$108 33; Francis W. Mitchell, 5th District, \$108 33; James C. Clarke, 6th District, \$108 33. The Evening Journal Association, printing minutes, \$208 33. The Argus, printing minutes, \$203 33, cleaning rooms in City Hall: Ann Norton \$30, Bridget Parker \$30.

The same committee reported on petition of William H. Green for compromise of assessments recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby authorized to receive from William H. Green, or his representatives, the face value of the following assessments, without interest, on Lot 7, Block 351:

Sewer in Belmont avenue, Bergen avenue, west.....\$692 72  
Main sewer in Section B, Second Drainage District..... 131 67  
Provided all other assessments and taxes due on said property are paid in full, with interest and costs, if any, and provided further, that said payments are made within sixty days from the date of the passage of this resolution, otherwise the resolution to be null and void and of no effect.

On petition of A. B. Cosgrove:

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby authorized to receive from A. B. Cos-

grove or his representatives, the face value of the following assessment without interest, on lot 11 and 12, block 588.

Main sewer in Newark avenue, from Elva Corners to the Hackensack River.....\$270 70

Provided all other assessments and taxes due on said property are paid in full with interest and costs, if any, and provided further, that said payments are made within sixty days from the date of the passage of this resolution, otherwise the resolution to be null and void and of no effect.

On petition of A. B. Dayton:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of A. B. Dayton for the sum of \$122 60 being a duplicate payment on taxes for years 1876, 1877 and 1878, on lot 27, block 807, sold to the City Treasurer as follows: \$14 31 on sale for 1876, \$11 35 on sale for 1877, \$26 93 on sale for 18878, the City Treasurer and City Clerk to be notified.

The President having called for the yeas and nays on each of the above resolutions the reports of the Committee were received and the resolutions adopted unanimously.

The Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies reported on claim of B. F. Cordan recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the sum of \$3 75 be paid to B. F. Cordan for locks and keys for office.

The President having called for the yeas and nays on the above resolution the reports of the committee were received and the resolution adopted unanimously.

#### MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

By Mr. McGill:

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of that officer, as follows, to be deposited in the Hudson County National Bank to the credit of May, 1883, interest account:

On general account.....	\$31,150 00
On general account to pay interest	73 910 00
On assessment bonds.....	14,000 00
On assessment account.....	31,895 00

The President having called for the yeas and nays on the above resolution it was adopted unanimously.

On motion the Board adjourned.

JOHN T. VAN CLEEF, Clerk.





Regular adjourned meeting of the Board of Finance and Taxation, held in the City Hall Wednesday May 2, 1883, at 7.30 o'clock p.m.

Present—All the members.

The reading of the minutes of the last regular adjourned meeting was dispensed with and they were approved as printed in manual form.

#### PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Petition of Tobias New for compromise of assessments.

Petition of Michael Kerrigan to be allowed to pay taxes without interest.

Petition of Thomas Parker to have an error in taxes corrected.

All of the above petitions were received and referred to the Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments.

#### PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS.

Claim of the Argus of \$72 41 for advertising and printing manuals, pages 115 to 118 and 1 to 7.

Resolved and referred to the Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies.

#### OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

Itemized requisition from the City Clerk for warrant books.

Received and referred to the Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies with cover.

The following official bonds were received and referred to the Committee on Finance and Claims:

Official bond of Abram Van Riper as Police Commissioner with J. D. Cerscallen and Patrick Hayden as sureties.

Official bond of Peter H. Daly as constable in the sum of \$1,000, with David Harper and Julia Lynch as sureties.

Official bond of John H. Masker as Constable in the sum of \$1,000, with George B. Fielder and Thomas Harrington as sureties.

Official bond of Henry Mades as constable in the sum of \$1,000 with Anton Ruh and Jacob Ewald as sureties.

Official bond of Godfrey G. Dilloway as constable in the sum of \$1,000 with John Donnelly and Dennis O'Hallaran as sureties.

Official bond of Joseph Locke as constable in the sum of \$1,000 with John McCarhy and Patrick Costello as sureties.

Official bond of Frank Meyer as Constable in the sum of \$1,000 with Henry Windecker and Michael D. Vreeland as sureties.

Official bond of Myron B. Matthews as Constable in the sum of \$1,000 with John Bumsted and Christian Wagenehals as sureties.

The City Treasurer reported the following total balance credited to all the accounts in the city depositories at the close of business this day at \$236,353 38.

The City Comptroller reported the following total receipts of the City Treasury April 27th to May 2, 1883, both days included, at \$17,716 63.

Both reports were received and ordered filed. The following concurrent resolutions were received from the Board of Public Works and referred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions:

1. Pay roll of the Committee on Water Rates and Assessments for the month of April, 1883, amounting to \$1,191 85.

2. Authorizing the Water Registrar to notify all persons in arrears for water rents from 1871 to 1882 that arrearages may be paid at seven per cent interest within 30 days from the date of notification and if not paid within 30 days the water will be turned off.

3. Requesting that the amount realized from the sale of horses, carts, &c., belonging to the Street Department, be used for the purpose of purchasing or hiring horses, carts, &c., to be used in cleaning the streets of Jersey City.

4. Ordering paid certain claims. On motion the Board took a recess. The Board reassembled, all the members present except Mr. Witsch who was excused.

#### REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Finance and Claims reported the following official bonds, recommending that they be received, spread in full on the bond book and filed.

As Police Commissioner—Abraham Van Riper.

As Constables—Joseph Locke, Myron B. Matthews, John H. Masker, Frank Meyer, Godfrey G. Dilloway and Henry Mades.

The President having called for the ayes and nays on the above report it was received and the recommendation adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—President Beach, Messrs. McGill, Smith and Tilden.

Absent—Mr. Witsch.

The Committee on Concurrent Resolutions reported on concurrent resolutions from the Board of Public Works recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works April 23d, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That \$108 49 be paid to Dugan & Fitzsimons, \$30 75 to Wood & Menagh \$438 80 to Myles Tierney, \$3 50 to J. C. Gas Light Company, \$11 05 to Peter Joachim, \$97 29 to Brinkman & Hauck, \$ 4 to Patrick Lillis, \$6 to Patrick Sheehy, \$11 85 to James H. Jones, \$34 20 to F. Boas, \$36 85 to Jordan Stationery Company, \$19 06 to J. Turner, \$30, \$25 \$20, \$17 50, \$15, \$14 70 and \$7 85 to Evening Journal Association, \$4 and \$4 50 to J. C. Herald, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works April 23d, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That \$218 36 be paid to Wood & Menagh; \$23 59 to Dugan & Fitzsimons; \$324 75 to Jordan Stationery Company; \$6 75 to John A. Vill; \$34 to E. J. Whelan agent; \$47 50 to J. C. Gas Light Company; \$5 85 to N. J. Telephone Company; \$266 05 to Jordan Stationery Company; \$20 to The Argus, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution, adopted by the Board of Public Works, April 30th, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That the sum of \$73 be paid to F. Porretta Sons, be and is hereby non-concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation, for the reason that the prices charged are too high.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works, April 30th, 1883 to wit:

Whereas, The Board had in December, 1882, certain personal property used in cleaning of a streets and the removal ashes and garbage which was sold by this Board after the contract was made with Patrick sheeran to perform said work; and

Whereas, Under an act of the Legislature of New Jersey said Board has rescinded said contract and intends to do said work under its own supervision and needs horses carts and other property therefor, and requires the sum of money realized on said sale for the purchase or hire of horses, carts, &c., to do said work; therefore,

Resolved, That by and with the concurrence of the Board of Finance and Taxation the said sum of money realized from said sale be used for the sole purpose of purchasing or hiring horses carts and harness for the cleaning of the streets of this city and the removal of ashes and garbage therefrom, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works April 30th, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That by and with the concurrence of the Board of Finance and Taxation the Water Registrar be and is hereby authorized and directed to notify all persons now in arrears for water rents from 1871 to 1881 inclusive, that said arrears for water rents will be received for the face value and interest at the rate of seven per centum per annum for the space of thirty days from the date of notification and that said Water Registrar shall also notify said persons in arrears that upon failure to pay the arrearages within 30 days the water will be shut off without further notice and interest and penalty at the present rates be added together with the penalty for shutting off and





turning on the water, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the pay roll resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works April 31, 1883, as presented by the Committee on Water Rates and Assessments for the month of April, 1883, amounting to \$1,190 85,

Be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

The President having called for the yeas and nays on each of the above resolutions the reports of the Committee were received and the resolutions adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—President Beach, Messrs McGill, Smith and Tilden.

Absent—Mr. Witsch.

The Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments reported on petition for compromise of assessments, recommending the adoption of the following resolutions on petition of the ex-cutors of George Vree and, dec'd:

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby authorized to receive from the ex-cutors of George Vree and, deceased, or his representatives the face value of the following assessment, without interest, to wit:

On lots 25 and 26, block 309, receiving basin and culvert N E corner Wayne and Varick streets, confirmed Nov. 23, 1883, \$15 60

Provided all other assessments and taxes due on said property are paid in full, with interest and costs, if any; and provided further, that said payments are made within sixty days from the date of the passage of this resolution, otherwise the resolution to be null and void and of no effect.

On petition of Thomas D Mills:

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby authorized to receive from Thomas D. Mills or his representatives, the face value of the following assessment without interest, to wit:

Sewer in Orchard street, from Crawford to Montgomery street, confirmed January 17, 1873, on lot 3, block 224, \$213 93.

Provided all other assessments and taxes due on said property are paid in full with interest and costs, if any, and provided further, that said payments are made within sixty days from the date of the passage of this resolution, otherwise the resolution to be null and void and of no effect.

The President having called for the yeas and

nays on the above resolution the reports of the committee were received and the resolution adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—President Beach, Messrs. McGill, Smith and Tilden.

Absent—Mr. Witsch.

Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies reported on claims recommending the following resolutions:

On claim of The Argus.

Resolved That the sum of \$73 40 be paid to The Argus for advertising assessors' notices and printing manual pages 115 to 118 old Board, and pages 1 to 7, inclusive new Board.

On claim of Charles H. Scott:

Resolved, That the sum of \$8 73 be paid to Charles H. Scott for carpenter work in City Hall.

On claim of Charles H. Scott:

Resolved, That the sum of \$10 87 be paid to Charles H. Scott for carpenter work in City Hall.

The President having called for the yeas and nays on each of the above resolutions the reports of the committee were received and the resolutions adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—President Beach, Messrs. McGill, Smith and Tilden.

Absent—Mr. Witsch.

#### MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

By Mr. McGill:

Whereas, by resolution passed January 31, 1883, water scrip or bonds to the amount of two hundred thousand dollars (\$200,000) were issued under the act of January 30, 1883; therefore,

Resolved That the Committee on Finance and Claims advertise for the sale of the remaining three hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) upon the same terms set forth in the original resolution.

Resolved, That the Committee advertise for proposals in the official newspapers, and in no other papers, said proposals to be sent to this Board at its next meeting, to be held May 9, 1883.

The President having called for the yeas and nays on the above resolution it was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—President Beach, Messrs. McGill Smith and Tilden.

Absent—Mr. Witsch.

On motion the Board adjourned.

JOHN T. VAN CLEEVE, Clerk.



Regular meeting of the Board of Finance and Taxation held in the City Hall, Wednesday, May 9, 1883 at 7.30 o'clock p. m.

Present.—All the members.

On motion the reading of the minutes of the last regular meeting was dispensed with and they were approved as printed in manual form.

#### PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Communication from Henry DeWittier requesting this Board to receive the amount of taxes due upon his property as compromised by a resolution of the Board of Aldermen.

Petitions of R. J. St. Clinton, receiver, Melissa Clark, J. V. H. Clendenny, Lawrence and Post for compromise of taxes and assessments, were received and referred to the Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments.

Communication from Thomas H. Kelly, attorney for William Boyle, requesting payment of a claim for services as Inspector of Central Avenue sewer.

Received and referred to the Corporation Counsel.

Petition of A. D. Gile for rebate on an assessment.

Received and referred to the Corporation Counsel.

#### PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS.

Claim of the Jersey City Gas Light Company of \$108.75 for gas consumed in City Hall from January 1st to April 1, 1883.

Claim of Clark & Caster of \$376.10 for stationery furnished Collector's office.

Claim of the New Jersey Free Press of \$7.70 for advertisement of Assessor's notices, &c.

Claim of the Jersey City Herald of \$27.60 for advertisement of Assessor's notices, &c.

All of the above claims were received and referred to the Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies.

#### OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

Official bond of Peter McGowan as Constable in the sum of \$1,000 with John McLaughlin and George Smith as sureties.

Official bond of John Jolly as constable in the sum of \$1,000, with Charles Turner and Frederick Payne as sureties.

Official bond of James H. Jollie as constable in the sum of \$1,000, with Alfred B. Dayton and Edwin Van Houten as sureties.

All the above bonds were received and referred to the Committee on Finance and Claims.

Itemized requisition from the City Comptroller for postage stamps.

Received and referred to the Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies with power.

The City Comptroller reported the following total receipts of the City Treasury, May 3 to 9, 1883, both days included, at \$124,101.81.

The City Treasurer reported the following total balance credited to all the accounts in the City Depositories at the close of business this day at \$24,749.96.

Both reports were received and ordered filed.

#### VETO OF HIS HONOR, THE MAYOR

JERSEY CITY, May 2, 1883.

Honorable Board of Finance and Taxation.

Gentlemen—I herewith return a resolution adopted by you on the 23d of April last, directing the payment of \$108.83 to each assessor for services during the month of April 1883. The City Charter fixes the salary of each assessor at \$1,500, and your honorable body having failed to make any arrangement with the gentlemen prior to their appointment as Assessors for the current year it will be necessary and it is just that you pay and make provision for payment at the charter limit. The salary mentioned to wit, \$1,500, is none too large for services if performed as required by law, and I do not question the ability of the present incumbents to perform the work demanded of them. I therefore return the resolution without any approval.

Yours respectfully,

I. W. TAUSIG, Mayor.

The veto was received and laid over under the rules.

The following concurrent resolutions were received from the Board of Public Works and referred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions.

1. Improvement of Linden Avenue from Bergen Avenue (new Bergen Road) to the right of way of the Central Railroad of New Jersey.

2. Pay roll of the Committee on Extensions and Distributions for the month of April, 1883, amounting to \$1,193.20.

3. Pay roll of the Committee on Pumping and Reservoirs for the month of April, 1883, amounting to \$2,183.30.

4. Supplement to the pay roll of the Water Department claim of M. J. O'Mara.

5. Authorizing the Water Registrar to receive water rents for the years 1871 to 1881, both inclusive with interest at the rate of seven per centum per annum.

6. Authorizing Committee on Extension and Distributions to advertise for proposals for about 1,000 lengths of six inch cast iron water pipe according to specifications.

7. Ordering paid certain claims.

On motion the rules were suspended in order to receive proposals for five per cent. water scrip issued under act of January 30th, 1883.

The bids received were then opened by the Chairman of the Committee on Finance and Claims and read by the Clerk. They were as follows:

From W. Hogeboom offering to take \$50,000 of bonds at par and interest and fifteen cents per hundred dollars premium.

From John T. Mellor offering to take \$12,000 of bonds at par accrued interest and two dollars premium.

From Franklyn Wiley offering to take the whole amount, namely \$35,000 at 100 and interest and a premium of 1-16 of one per cent. on the par value.

The Board went into the Committee of the Whole to consider proposals for bonds.

The above proposals were on motion received and referred to Committee of the Whole.

On motion the Board took a recess.

The Board reassembled all the members present.

#### REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Finance and Claims reported on resolution from the Board of Directors of Educator, in regard to the deficiencies in teachers salaries caused by the insolvency of "The City Bank" of Jersey City, recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That this Board hereby authorize the Committee on Finance and Claims to borrow if found necessary the sum of \$10,495.54, said amount to be used exclusively for the payment of the salaries of superintendents, teachers, clerks and other officers or employees of the Board of Directors of Education remaining unpaid by reason of the "City Bank of Jersey City" becoming insolvent, in which said bank the money belonging to the city necessary to pay said salaries was deposited by the Treasurer of said Board of Education. Said amount thus borrowed to be expended for the purpose of paying salaries by resolution of said Board, but with the concurrence of the Board of Finance and Taxation, and that said amount be placed in the next tax levy. This action being taken under and by virtue of an act of the Legislature, entitled "An act for the relief of officers and employees of Boards of Education whose salaries have not been paid by reason of the failure of any bank in which money has been deposited which was to be used for the purpose of paying such salaries," approved March 8, 1883.

The same committee reported the following official bonds recommending that they be approved, spread at large on the Bond Books and filed.

As Co-stables, John Jolly and James H. Jollie. The President having called for the ayes and nays on the above resolution on the report of the Committee was received and the resolution and recommendation adopted unanimously.

The Committee on Concurrent Resolutions reported on concurrent resolutions from the





Board of Works recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works April 30th, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That by and with the concurrence of the Board of Finance and Taxation, the Committee on Pumping and Reservoirs be and is hereby authorized to advertise for proposals for furnishing and delivering about 800 gross tons of anthracite coal to be taken from either of the following named mines: Old Company Lighthouse, Jeddo, Hazelton, Buck Mountain, Sugar Loaf, Lattimer, be and is hereby not concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation, on the ground that the mines as named would enable the party bidding to furnish different grades of coal coming under the above names: That the difference between the best quality and the lowest grade coming under the same name is in some cases nearly or quite one dollar a ton. This Board suggests that the only way to give fair competition and prevent fraud in the delivery of an inferior grade of coal is to name the best qualities of each of these mines, and suggest that if the following were named it would give a chance for fair competition between coals of the same quality and grade, to wit: Lighthouse coal Company, Jeddo, Old Company, Lighthouse quality, J. B. Linderman & Co., Sugar Loaf, Pardee & Co., Hazelton and Lattimer, Buck Mountain Coal Company, Buck Mountain.

Resolved, That the pay roll resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works May 7th, 1883, as presented by the Committee on Pumping and Reservoirs for the month of April 1883, amounting to \$2,183 80, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the pay roll resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works May 7, 1883, as presented by the Committee on Extensions and Distributions for the month of April, 1883, amounting to \$1,192 20, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works May 7th, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That \$70 be paid to M. J. O'Mara for services as extra clerk in the water department, for the month ending April 30th 1883, omitted from the regular pay roll of Water Registrar, etc., for said month, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works April 30th, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That \$275 and \$275 be paid to Northrup & Co. for coal, \$27 55 to Steele & Condict for turning and forging, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works April 30th, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That \$19 77 be paid to Davenport, Treacy & Co, \$4 to J. C. Gas Light Company, \$2 to John A. Vill, \$4 50 to John H. Jones, \$1 60 to George A. Wood, \$7 60 to Vanderbeek & Sons, \$7 80 to The Argus, \$43 08 to August Boethe, \$13 75 to Mary Breen, \$179 17 to Warner & Cassallen, \$31 19 and \$61 85 to James H. Sherington, \$12 85 to Stryker & Runyon, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

The President having called for the yeas and nays on each of the above resolutions the reports of the committee were received and the resolutions adopted unanimously.

The Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments reported on petitions, recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

On petition of Michael Kerrigan:

Resolved, That the City Collector be requested and authorized to receive from Michael Kerrigan the taxes due on lot 15, and rear block 203, No. 193 Morgan street, for the year 1879, at the face value, viz, \$57 and interest to June 15th, 1880, and to receipt in full therefor, for the reason that said M. Kerrigan, on June 18th, 1880, applied to the City Collector for the purpose of paying said taxes of 1879, and the payment made by him on that date was applied to the taxes of 1877 by mistake, said taxes of 1877 having been previously paid.

On petition of Thomas Parker:

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby authorized and directed to reduce the valuation of lot 4, A block, 826 Lincoln street, Fourth District, folio 200, taxes of 1882, in the name of Thomas Parker, from \$700 to \$350, it being an error of the Assessor in valuing said lot, as if there was a house thereon, whereas it is a vacant lot; and further

Resolved, That the poll tax assessed on lot 10, block 826, in name of Thomas Parker, same year, Fourth District, be cancelled, as said Parker is a non resident, in accordance with the certificate of the Assessor of the Fourth District attached to petition.

The President having called for the yeas and nays on each of the above resolutions, the reports of the committee were received and the resolutions adopted unanimously.

The Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies reported recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

On claim of Clarke & Walter:

Resolved, That the sum of \$376 10 be paid to Clarke & Walter for stationery furnished offices in City Hall.

On claim of the Jersey City Herald:

Resolved, That the sum of \$27 60 be paid to the Jersey City Herald for publishing Assessors' notices.

On claim of the N. J. Freie Presse:

Resolved, That the sum of \$27 60 be paid to the N. J. Freie Presse for publishing Assessors' notices.

#### MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

On motion the Board adjourned.

JOHN T. VAN CLEEVE, Clerk.



Regular meeting of the Board of Finance and Taxation held in the City Hall, Wednesday, May 13th, 1883, at 7.30 o'clock p. m.

Present—All the members.

On motion the reading of the minutes of the last regular meeting was dispensed with and they were approved as printed in manual form.

#### PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS.

Petition of J. E. Grumbach for permission to pay assessment without interest.

Petition of Oliver E. Bailey to have personal taxes cancelled.

Both the above petitions were received and referred to the Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments.

Petitions from A. D. Gale and Mary Noon, for differences, were received and referred to the Corporation Counsel.

#### PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS.

Claim of John T. Van Cleef of \$23 for disbursements as Clerk of the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Claim of the Evening Journal of \$10 for advertising sale of water scrip.

Claim of James B. Vreedenburgh of \$28.48 for taxed costs on certiorari in the case of Isaac I. Vanderbeek vs. the city.

Claim of James B. Vreedenburgh of \$71.79 for taxed costs on certiorari in the case of Henry J. Conwell vs. the city.

All the above claims were received and referred to the Committee on Finance and Claims.

Claim of the New Jersey Telephone Company of \$6.05 for rent of instrument and tollage for month of May, 1883.

Claim of the Evening Journal Association of \$50.40 for advertising Assessor's notices.

Both the above claims were received and referred to the Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies.

#### OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

Itemized requisition from the City Clerk for redemption certificates.

Received and referred to the Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies with power.

Official bond of Conrad Kelchenbecker as Overseer of the Poor in the sum of \$5,000, with Charles Stiler and Jacob Ringle as sureties.

Received and referred to the Committee on Finance and Claims.

The City Comptroller reported the following total receipts of the City Treasury May 10th to 16th, both days included, at \$33,025.51.

The City Treasurer reported the following total balance credited to all the accounts in the city depositories at the close of business this day at \$249,924.31.

Both reports were received and ordered filed.

Resolution from the Board of Directors of Education requesting concurrence in payment of salaries of superintendents, teachers and others, deficient on account of the insolvency of the City Bank of Jersey City.

Resolution from the Board of Directors of Education in regard to the payment of the deficiencies in janitors' salaries.

Both the above resolutions were received and referred to the Committee on Finance and Claims.

The following concurrent resolutions were received from the Board of Public Works and referred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions:

1. Pay roll of the Committee on Pumping and Reservoirs for the month of April, 1883, amounting to \$59.50.

2. Improvement of Danforth avenue from the Central Railroad depot to Bergen avenue.

3. Awarding contract to Michael Curley for the construction of a sewer in Bescon avenue from a point 75 feet west of Passaic avenue to and connecting with the sewer in Oakland ave.

4. Ordering paid claims of Michael Morrissey.

5. Two resolutions ordering paid certain claims.

On motion the Board took a recess.

The Board reassembled—all the members present.

#### REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Finance and Claims reported on resolution from the Board of Direc-

tors of Education in regard to deficiency in salaries recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Directors of Education May 14th, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That by and with the concurrence of the Board of Finance and Taxation the City Clerk be and he is hereby requested to draw warrants in favor of the persons named in the pay rolls hereto attached for the amounts set opposite their names which said pay rolls amount in the aggregate to the sum of ten thousand four hundred and ninety-five dollars and fifty-four cents (\$10,495.54) and are drawn to make good the deficiencies in salaries occurring by reason of the insolvency of the City Bank of Jersey City, said warrants not to be delivered by the City Clerk until the checks issued by the Treasurer of the Board of Directors of Education for corresponding amounts be surrendered for cancellation, said payments being made under and by virtue of an act of the Legislature entitled "An Act for the relief of officers and employees of Board of Education whose salaries have not been paid by reason of the failure of any bank in which money has been deposited, which was to be used for the purpose of paying such salaries" approved March 8th, 1883," be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

The same committee reported on claim of John T. Van Cleef for disbursements, recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the sum of \$23 be paid to John T. Van Cleef for disbursements as Clerk to the Board of Finance and Taxation, from February 1st to May 1st, 1883.

The same committee reported on official bond of Conrad Kelchenbecker as Overseer of the Poor, recommending that the same be received, spread in full on the bond book and filed.

The President having called for the ayes and nays on each of the above resolutions the reports of the committee were received and the resolutions and recommendation adopted unanimously.

The Committee on Concurrent Resolutions reported on concurrent resolutions from the Board of Public Works, recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works March 12th, 1883, to wit:

Accepting the report of the Committee on Streets and Sewers upon the application of Frederick Jolly, presented March 5, 1883, for the construction of a sewer in Paterson street, from sewer in Pierce avenue to Durham avenue, and determining to make said improvement and directing the Commissioners of Assessment, with the aid and assistance of the Bureau of Survey, to make and report estimates of the quantity and kind of excavation, and filling, &c., and the clerk to advertise for proposals, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works March 26th, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That by and with the concurrence of the Board of Finance and Taxation, John C. Smith be and he is hereby appointed engineer at Belleville, at a salary of \$72 per month, term to commence April 1st, 1883, be and is hereby non-concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation, for the reason that this Board is informed that no vacancy exists.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works May 14th, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That \$55.58 and \$45.75 be paid to L. G. Wilkins, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works May 7th, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That by and with the concurrence of the Board of Finance and Taxation, the Water Registrar be and he is hereby authorized and directed to receive water rents for the years 1871 to 1881, both inclusive, with interest at the rate of seven per centum per annum, be





and is hereby non-concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation for the reason that said resolution conflicts with a former resolution of a similar nature.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works April 22d, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That \$13 50 be paid to Patrick Duane for 9 days' labor cleaning streets, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works January 15th, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That the sum of \$63 be paid to Thomas Koles for blankets and harness be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works, May 7, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That The Argus be paid \$25, H F Randolph \$290, \$290, \$415, \$411 20, \$360 06, \$415 20, \$387 95, \$462 96, \$411 20, Binghampton Oil Refining Company \$41 40, L G Wilkin \$47 10, \$65 41, E J Whalen, agent, \$15, be and the same is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

The President having called for the yeas and nays on each of the above resolutions the reports of the committee were received, and the resolutions adopted unanimously.

The Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments reported on petitions of Melless Clark and H H Clendenny for compromise of an assessment recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby authorized to receive from Melless Clark or her representatives the face value of the following assessments, without interest, to wit:

Main sewer, section A, second drainage district, lots 10, 11 and 12, block 562, confirmed February 26, 1874, \$689 55; improvement of West Grand street, pile foundation, lot 12, block 562, reconfirmed May 20, 1874, \$36 26, provided all other assessments and taxes due on said property are paid in full, with interest and costs, if any, and provided that said payments are made within sixty days from the date of the passage of this resolution, otherwise the resolution to be null and void end of no effect.

On petition of J V H Clendenny:

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby authorized to receive from J V H Clendenny or his representative the face value of the following assessment without interest to wit:

Improvement of West Grand street pile foundation reconfirmed May 20, 1874, on lots Assessor's No 7395, block 611, lot 7294, block 540, lot 7395, block 539, lot 7396, block 533, lot 7397, block 613, lot 7398, block 612, amounting to \$119 50

Provided all other assessments and taxes due on said property are paid in full with interest and costs if any, and provided that said payments are made within sixty days from the date of the passage of this resolution, otherwise the resolution to be null and void and of no effect.

On petition of R. S. Stockton:

Resolved, That the petition of R. S. Stockton, Receiver of the New Jersey Mutual Life Insurance Company, for a reduction in taxes and water rents on lots Nos. 11 to 19 inclusive and lot 19 1/2, all in block 29, on map of the Marion Building Company, be not granted for the reason that this Board does not deem it for the best interest of the city to compromise or make any reductions in taxes. If the property in question has been assessed too high during the past years the error should have been corrected on application to the Boards of Commissioners of Appeals in cases of taxation for the various years complained of. In regard to the reduction on water rents requested by the petitioner, this Board has no jurisdiction.

The President having called for the yeas and nays on each of the above resolutions, the reports of the committee were received and the resolutions adopted unanimously.

#### MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

By Mr. McGill:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of George H. Farrier, County Collector, for the sum of thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000), to be credited on account of county taxes for the year 1884-85.

By Mr. McGill:

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of that officer for the following amounts, to be deposited in the Hudson County National Bank to the accounts designated:

From General account to January, 1882,	
Interest account.....	\$35 00
From General account to January, 1883,	
Interest account.....	\$35 00

By Mr. McGill:

Resolved, That the position of Bridget Parker as janitrix of City Hall, be declared vacant on and after May 19th, 1883.

By Mr. McGill:

Resolved, That Elizabeth Lynch be appointed janitrix of the City Hall, at a monthly salary of \$30, appointment to date from May 19th, 1883.

The President having called for the yeas and nays on each of the above resolutions, they were adopted unanimously.

On motion the Board adjourned.

JOHN T. VAN CLEEF, Clerk.



Regular meeting of the Board of Finance and Taxation held in the City Hall, Wednesday, May 23d, 1883, at 7.30 o'clock p. m.

Present—All the members.

On motion the reading of the minutes of the last regular meeting was dispensed with and they were approved as printed in manual form.

#### PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

Petitions for rebate on assessments were received from Grace C. Snelling, James O. Donnell, Ella Converse and Edward Murphy, all of which were referred to the Corporation Counsel.

Petitions for cost promise of taxes and assessments were received from Wm. B. Van Vorst, Henry Peck, J. V. H. Clendenny and Joan M. Shannon.

Petition of John M. Shannon for the reduction of an assessment.

Petition of Henry M. Peck for cancellation of tax sale.

Petition of Garrett G. Vreeland for cancellation of a duplicate assessment for taxes.

Petition of C. B. Thurston for the return of money paid in error on taxes.

Petition of George P. Howell for the return of moneys paid in error on taxes.

All the above petitions were received and referred to the Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments.

#### PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS.

Claim of John Griffin, Jr., of \$39.60 for taking testimony in the case of O. L. & W. Railroad vs. Jersey City.

Received and referred to the Committee on Finance and Claims.

#### OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS

Official bond of John E. Scott as City Clerk in the sum of \$25,000, with William Clarke and Peter Bentley as sureties.

Official bond of Frederick J. Mersheimer as constable in the sum of \$1,000, with Henry H. Kear and William F. Kern as sureties.

Official bond of Dennis Farrell as Constable in the sum of \$1,000 with Matthew Doyle and Michael Hochford as sureties.

All the above official bonds were received and referred to the Committee on Finance and Claims.

Leveled requisitions for stationery were received from the City Collector and City Comptroller, both of which were referred to the Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies with power.

The City Comptroller reported the total receipts of the City Treasurer, May 17th, to 23rd, 1883, both days included to be \$41,491.80.

The City Treasurer reported the following total balance credited to all the accounts in the City Depositories at the close of business this day to be \$216,534.68.

Both reports were received and ordered filed.

#### COMMUNICATION FROM THE CORPORATION ATTORNEY.

Jersey City, May 19, 1883,

To the Honorable Board of Finance and Taxation.

Gentlemen—I hereby tender my resignation of the office of Corporation Attorney of Jersey City, to take effect on such date as may suit the convenience of your Honorable Board. There are numerous very important suits pending for and against the city, the details of which I shall be happy to communicate to my successor. Sincerely regretting that other demands upon my time necessitate a conclusion of our official relation so pleasantly continued during the past four years, I beg leave to protest my incapacity to sufficiently express my gratitude for the many courtesies extended to me during that time by the members and officers of the City Government.

Respectfully,

ALLAN L. McDERMOTT.

The communication was received and ordered filed.

Communication from the Corporation Counsel recommending the payment of the following amounts for differences between the old and new assessments.

A. D. Gale.....	\$79.48
A. D. Gale.....	226.70
Mary Noon.....	89.75

The communication was received and ordered filed and the subject matter referred to the Committee on Finance and Claims.

Resolution from the Board of Directors of Education requesting transfer of \$1,386.29 from the amount appropriated for salaries of Janitors, Clerk and others for months of October and November 1883, to the credit of the same account for the month of May, 1883, present fiscal year.

Resolution from the Board of Directors of Education requesting an extra appropriation of \$3,500 to be used for the purpose of paying deficiencies in the salaries of Janitors under and by virtue of an act of the Legislature approved March 23, 1884.

Both the above resolutions were received and referred to the Committee on Finance and Claims.

The following concurrent resolutions were received from the Board of Public Works and referred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions:

1. Construction of a brick oval sewer in Griffith street, from a point 115 feet east of Summit avenue to and connecting with sewer in Central avenue.

2. Appointment of John Knoop as bill distributor at a salary of \$3.50 per day.

3. Three resolutions, ordering paid certain claims.

On motion the Board took a recess.

The Board reassembled all the members present.

#### REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Finance and Claims reported on resolution from the Board of Directors of Education requesting an extra appropriation recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That this Board hereby appropriates the sum of \$3,500 to be borrowed, if necessary, or taken from any account not otherwise appropriated, said amount to be used for the purpose of paying deficiencies in the salaries of Janitors of the Public schools in Jersey City for the fiscal year ending November 30, 1883, by and under the provisions of an act of the Legislature, entitled "An act concerning the payment of public school janitors in cities" approved March 23, 1883, said amount to be placed in the new treasury.

The same committee reported the official bonds of John E. Scott as City Clerk and Frederick J. Mersheimer and Dennis Farrell as Constables, recommending that they be received, spread at large on the bond book and filed.

The President having called for the yeas and nays on the above resolution the report of the committee was received and the resolution and recommendations adopted unanimously.

The Committee on Concurrent Resolutions reported on concurrent resolutions from the Board of Public Works recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works, May 14, 1883, awarding contract to Michael Curlew for the construction of a sewer in Beacon avenue, from a point 75 feet west of Palisade avenue to and connecting with the sewer in Oakland avenue, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the pay roll resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works, May 14, 1883, as presented by the Committee on Pumping and Reservoirs for the month of April, 1883, amounting to \$59.50, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works May 21st, 1883, to wit:





Resolved, That by and with the concurrence of the Board of Finance and Taxation, John Knoop be and is hereby appointed for the purpose of serving notices and bills of arrears of water rents on owners of property in Jersey City for the years 1871 to 1881, inclusive, at the salary of \$2 50 per day, be and is hereby non-concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation, for the reason that no time is specified in which to perform said work.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works May 7th, 1883, be witt:

Resolved, That \$90 72 be paid to Thomas Goddard, \$5 11 to Thomas Goddard, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works May 14th, 1883, be witt:

Resolved, That \$86 be paid to S. B. Dougherty, \$32 75 and \$21 74 to H. R. Worthington, \$450 to Dave port Treacy Co., \$3 to Dugan & Fitzsimmon, \$8 to John A. Vill, \$4 75 to George B. Lockwood, \$75 88 and \$162 43 to Warren Foundry and Machine Company, \$39 50 to Vanderbeek & Sons, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works May 14th, 1883, be witt:

Resolved, That \$25 89 be paid to John A. Vill, \$8 to Patrick Sherry, \$3 to Valentine Fuster, \$38 26 and \$13 10 to Vanderbeek & Sons, \$50 and \$54 to Michael Morrissey, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

The President having called for the yeas and nays on each of the above resolutions, the reports of the committees were received and the resolutions adopted unanimously.

The Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments reported, recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That upon the payment of the sum of \$329 13 the City Collector be and he is hereby requested to receipt in full for the following assessments, levied against lots Nos 7 and 8, block 713, Prospect street, in the name of Tobias New:

Ravine road sewer continuation, confirmed March 13, 1880.....	\$30 00
Main sewer, Third ward, reconfirmed Feb 19, 1879.....	16 00
Sewer in Palisade avenue and Waverly street, confirmed Aug 28 1878 .....	36 00
Sewer in Prospect street, Palisade to Oakland avenues, confirmed July 10, 1878.....	230 00
Extension Prospect street, Palisade avenue to Montgomery street, confirmed Nov. 3, 1871.....	10 58
Improvement Oakland avenue, Hoboken avenue to Prospect street, confirmed Jan. 8, 1879 .....	4 00

Provided all other assessments and taxes due on said property be paid in full, with interest and costs, if any, and provided further, that said payments are made within sixty days from the date of the passage of this resolution, otherwise the resolution to be null et void and of no effect.

On petition of John E. Grumbach:

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby instructed to receive from John E. Grumbach the face value of the following assessment, without interest, to witt:

Widening Hoboken avenue, from Palisade avenue to Hoboken city line, on lots 13, 13 14, 15 and 16, block 559, confirmation approved Sept. 17, 1874 .....

Provided that all other assessments and taxes due on said property are paid in full, with interest and costs if any; and provided further, that said payments are made within sixty days from the date of the passage of this resolution, otherwise the resolution to be null et void and of no effect whatever.

On petition of Garrett G. Vreeland:

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby authorized and requested to cancel the assessment for taxes for 1871 levied against lot 8, block 1510, Central Railroad and Morris Canal, Greenville portion, 6th district, in the name of

Garrett G. Vreeland, folio 514, valuation \$3,000, it being a duplicate assessment, as certified by the Assessor of the 6th district.

On petition of C. B. Thurston:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of C. B. Thurston for the sum of \$43 50 to return said amount, it being a duplicate payment on taxes for 1881 on a piece of property described as a strip of land on 8th street, adjoining block 213, 3d district, and that the City Collector be notified.

On petition of Henry Detwiler:

Resolved, That the petition of Henry Detwiler for compromise of taxes and requesting this Board to accept the settlement and compromise as made by resolution of the Board of Aldermen, be not granted, for the reason that this Board do not deem it for the best interests of Jersey City to compromise taxes.

The President having called for the yeas and nays on each of the above resolutions, the reports of the committees were received and the resolutions and recommendation adopted unanimously.

#### MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

By Mr. McGill:

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn upon the City Treasurer in favor of that officer for the following amounts, to be deposited to the credit of Water account:

From November, 1875, interest account .....	\$35 00
" May, 1877, interest account.....	35 00
" July, 1877 interest account.....	70 00

By Mr. McGill:

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of that officer for the following amounts, to be deposited to the credit of General account:

From November, 1873, interest account .....	\$35 00
" April, 1874, interest account .....	17 50
" July, 1874, interest account.....	17 50
" Nov., 1874, interest account.....	35 00
" Oct., 1875 interest account.....	470 00
" Nov., 1876 interest account.....	35 00
" Jan., 1877 interest account.....	35 00
" Oct., 1877, interest account.....	35 00
" Oct., 1878, interest account.....	35 00
" Jan., 1874, interest account.....	65 00

By Mr. McGill:

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn upon the City Treasurer in favor of that officer for the sum of Thirty Dollars, to transfer that amount from Water account to January, 1874, interest account.

By Mr. McGill:

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of that officer, as follows, to be deposited in the Hudson County National Bank to the credit of June, 1883, interest account:

On General account.....	\$13,549
On General account, to pay interest on Assessment bonds.....	25,500
On General account, to pay interest on Assessment bonds.....	20,000
On Water account.....	8,880

By Mr. Smith:

Resolved, That the Clerk of this Board notify the various Boards of the City Government to send to this Board estimates of appropriations needed for the conduct of their business for the next fiscal year as soon as possible.

By Mr. Witach:

Resolved, That the resignation of Allan L. McDermott as Corporation Attorney be and the same is hereby accepted, such resignation to take effect on the first day of July, 1883.

By Mr. Witach:

Resolved, That Elijah T. Paxton be and he is hereby appointed Corporation Attorney of Jersey City for the term of two years, to commence July 1st, 1883, at a salary of \$1,800 per annum, payable monthly, said Attorney to execute a contract with the Mayor and Aldermen of Jersey City to perform the duties of said office at the salary aforesaid for the period aforesaid.

By Mr. Smith:

Resolved, That the thanks of this Board be and is hereby tendered Hon. Allen L. Mc.



Dermott for the interest he has always shown in the performance of his duties as Corporation Attorney, and for the many courtesies extended to the members of this Board

By Mr. Smith:

Resolved, That when this Board adjourns it will adjourn to meet Tuesday, May 23, 1883, at 7:30 o'clock p. m.

The President having called for the yeas and nays on each of the above resolutions, they were adopted unanimously.

On motion the Board adjourned.

JOHN T. VAN CLEEF, Clerk.

1. The first part of the paper is devoted to a general discussion of the problem of the existence of solutions of the system of equations (1) and (2) under the conditions (3) and (4). It is shown that the system of equations (1) and (2) has a solution if and only if the conditions (3) and (4) are satisfied.

2. In the second part of the paper, the problem of the existence of solutions of the system of equations (1) and (2) is solved for the case of a linear system of equations. It is shown that the system of equations (1) and (2) has a solution if and only if the conditions (3) and (4) are satisfied.



Regular adjourned meeting of the Board of Finance and Taxation, held in City Hall, Tuesday, May 29th, 1883, at 7:30 o'clock p. m.

Present—All the members.

On motion the reading of the minutes of the last regular meeting was dispensed with and they were approved as printed in manual form.

#### PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS.

Petition of McGill & Faylor, attorneys for compromise of taxes and assessments.

Petition of Patrick Sheridan and Michael Treacy for return of money paid in error on water rents.

All the above petitions were received and referred to the Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments.

#### PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS.

Claims of Wood & Menach of \$550 for one Norton check spring for Treasurer's office.

Claims of the Argus of \$15 for printing manuals pages 8 to 15 inclusive.

Both claims were received and referred to the Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies.

#### OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

The City Treasurer reported the following total balance credited to all accounts in the city depositories at the close of business this day, \$255,194 67.

The City Comptroller reported the following total receipts of the City Treasury, May 24th to 29th, 1883, both days included, as \$32,311 70.

Both reports were received and ordered filed. Resolution from the Board of Aldermen requesting a further appropriation of \$500 in addition to the amounts heretofore made for the further relief of the poor.

Received and referred to the Committee on Finance and Claims.

Resolution from the Board of Public Works requesting transfer of the appropriations for the months of June and July to the former appropriations for reconstruction of streets and sewers fiscal year 1882 and 1883. Received and referred to Committee on Finance and Claims.

The following concurrent resolutions were received from the Board of Public Works and referred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions:

1. Appointment of Peter H. Daly as Janitor at a salary of \$720 per year
2. Appointment of John Knoop to serve notices and bills for the water department at \$2.50 per day to Sept. 1st, 1883.
3. On petition of M. F. C. Young for the condemnation of a certain strip of land 4 feet in width through block 19.
4. Appointment of Patrick McLaughlin as helper to Tapper at a salary of \$65 per month.
5. Authorizing the Committee on Extensions and Distributions to lay 320 feet of 6 inch cast iron water pipe in Columbia avenue from Blecker street to a point three hundred feet north thereof.
6. Ordering paid claim of Patrick McLaughlin as helper to Tapper for the month of April, 1883, amounting to \$47 66.
7. Two resolutions ordering paid certain claims.

On motion the Board took a recess.

The Board reassembled—all the members present.

#### REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Finance and Claims reported on petitions for difference between old and new assessments recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

On petition of Mary Noon:

Resolved, That warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Frank L. Clark, attorney of Mary Noon for the sum of \$89 75, being the difference between the old and new assessment for the improvement of Franklin street, Monticello avenue to Newark Plank Road, on lot 6, block 415, warrant to be used to pay taxes, assessments or water rents.

On petition of A. D. Gale:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Frank L. Clark, attorney of A. D. Gale for the sum of \$19 45, being

the difference between the old and new assessment for sewer in Monticello avenue, Clinton avenue to Newark Plank Road, on lots 5, 6, 7, 8, block 516, warrant to be used to pay taxes, assessments or water rents.

On petition of A. D. Gale:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Frank L. Clark, attorney of A. D. Gale, for the sum of \$23 70, being the difference between the old and new assessment for sewer in Monticello avenue between Clinton avenue and Newark Plank Road, on lots 5, 6, 7, 8, block 516, warrant to be used to pay taxes, assessments or water rents.

The President having called for the yeas and nays on each of the above resolutions the reports of the committee were received and the resolutions adopted unanimously.

The Committee on Concurrent Resolutions reported on concurrent resolutions from the Board of Public Works recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works May 25th, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That by and with the concurrence of the Board of Finance and Taxation, Peter H. Daly be and is hereby appointed Janitor at a salary of \$720 per year, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works, May 25, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That by and with the concurrence of Board of Finance and Taxation John Knoop be and is hereby appointed for the purpose of serving notices and bills for arrears of water rents at a salary of \$2.50 per day, term of office to expire September 1st, 1883, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works, May 14, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That \$23 be paid to John W. Lynch; \$29 67 to Patrick Maloney; \$33 37 to John M. Shannon, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works, May 21, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That \$156 52 be paid to Phillip R. Martin; \$73 to Phillip E. Martin; \$25 to J. C. Westervelt; be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works, May 23, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That \$20 be paid to W. W. C. Sites, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works, May 21, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That \$34 be paid to John Cogan; \$110 56 to Warner & Carscallen, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

The President having called for the yeas and nays on each of the above resolutions, the reports of the committee were received and the resolutions adopted unanimously.

The Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments, reported the salary list for the month of May, 1883, recommending the adoption of the following resolution.

Resolved, That warrants be drawn on the City Treasurer, for the payment of salaries for the month of June, 1883, when due viz:

Isaac W. Taussig, Mayor.....	\$168 66
Thomas Earle, City Treasurer.....	200 00
S. C. Nelson, City Comptroller.....	200 00
James H. Love, City Collector.....	200 00
Leon Abbott, Corporation Counsel.....	333 33
Allan L. McDermott, Corporation Attorney.....	150 00
John T. Van Cleef, Clerk to Board of Finance and Taxation.....	100 00
Isaac Morrow, Jr., Clerk to Treasurer.....	100 00
George R. Hough, Clerk to Comptroller.....	100 00
Andrew D. Whyte, assistant Collector.....	100 00
Clerks to Collector—	
S. D. Dickinson.....	83 33
John T. M. Kaylar.....	70 00



Louis E. S. Smith.....	70 00
Charles Krebs.....	70 00
William H. Tuttle.....	70 00
Charles Freeman.....	70 00
James E. Connolly.....	70 00
Patrick O'Neill, messenger.....	60 00
William H. Powell, marshal 2d district	
Court.....	50 00
Clerks to City Clerk—	
Thomas K. Halstead.....	75 00
N. R. Heury.....	75 00
R. L. Hudson.....	66 66
Printing minutes—	
The Arous.....	208 33
The Evening Journal Association.....	208 33
Cleaning rooms in City Hall—	
Ann Norton.....	30 00
Bridget Parker, 18 days.....	18 00
Elizabeth Lynch, 12 days.....	12 00
The same committee reported on petitions recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:	

On petition of Henry M. Peck.

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby authorized to receive from Henry M. Peck or his representatives, the full value of the following assessments on lots Nos. 64, 62, 60, 58, 56, 54, 52 and 50, block 613 without interest.

Main sewer section "A" second drainage district, re-confirmed Feb. 26, 1874.... \$370 48  
Improvement of West Grand street pile foundation re-confirmed May 20th, 1874..... \$51 81

Provided all other assessments and taxes due on said property are paid in full with interest, and costs if any, and provided further that said payments are all made within sixty days from date of the passage of this resolution otherwise the resolution to be null et void and of no effect.

On petition of William Keeney:

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby authorized to receive from William Keeney or his representatives the face value of the following assessments on lot 4 block 436, without interest to wit:

Sewer in Walnut street, from Morris Canal to Pine street. Confirmation approved Feb. 27th, 1874.... \$119 47  
Sewer in Whiton street, from Walnut to Willow street. Confirmation approved Feb. 27th, 1874..... 78 44

Provided all other assessments and taxes due on said property are paid in full with interest and costs if any, and payments made within said sixty days from the date of the passage of this resolution, otherwise the resolution be null et void and of no effect.

On petition of William B. Van Vorst:

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby authorized to receive from Wm. B. Van Vorst or his representatives the face value of the following assessment without interest on lot 22 block 345 to wit:

Improvement of Mercer street, from Varick to Putnam. Confirmation approved Oct. 29, 1869..... \$198 08

Provided all other assessments and taxes due on said property are paid in full with interest and costs if any, and said payments are made within sixty days from the date of the passage of

this resolution, otherwise the resolution to be null et void and of no effect.

On petition of George P. Howell:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of G. P. Howell for the sum of \$34 92, to return said amount it being a duplicate payment made by him on taxes of 1892, Lot 14, Block 861, Griffith street, Fourth District, Nov. 18, 1892, and that the City Collector be notified.

On petition of Henry M. Peck:

Resolved, That the City Clerk be and he is hereby authorized and requested to cancel the sale made of Lots 9 to 13, block 82, Oak street, for taxes of 1869, in the name of Henry M. Peck, valuation of \$2,000, the same having been paid by the owner Nov 9th, 1869, as appears by the receipt of J. V. B. Vresland, Collector of Revenue former City of Bergen.

On petition of J. V. H. Clendenny:

Resolved, That the petition of J. V. H. Clendenny for correction of an error in taxes be not granted for the reason that this Board is of the opinion that the owner should have examined his bills and surveyed his property, and made comparison of surrounding valuations, the mere fact that this particular piece of property was assessed to a person other than the owner, and for this reason the owner omitted to pay the taxes is not sufficient cause for the remission of the interest. It appears to this Board that the petitioner is at fault and should not obtain the remission prayed for in his petition.

The President having called for the ayes and nays on each of the above resolutions the reports of the Committee were received and the resolutions and recommendation adopted unanimously.

#### UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

The following communications, petitions and resolutions were on motion of Mr. Smith taken from the Committee of the Whole and ordered filed.

Communication from the taxpayers of the 1st district requesting the reappointment of Seneca Barker as Assessor of the First District.

Petition of Patrick McNulty requesting the appointment as Assessor of the Fourth District.

Petition of John M. Park requesting his appointment as Assessor of the Fifth District.

Resolution from the Board of Aldermen requesting the Board to set aside \$1,800 of monies received from the Pennsylvania railroad for a free library.

#### MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

By Mr. McGill:

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn upon the City Treasurer in favor of that officer for the sum of thirty-five dollars to transfer that amount from water account to July, 1877, interest account.

The President having called for the ayes and nays on the above resolution it was adopted unanimously.

The President appointed Mr. McGill to act as a representative of this Board of the Joint Committee on pollution of the Passaic river.

On motion the Board adjourned.

JOHN T. VAN CLEE, Clerk.





Regular meeting of the Board of Finance and Taxation, held in the City Hall, Wednesday, June 6th, 1883, at 7:30 o'clock p.m.

Present—President Beach, Messrs. McGill, Smith and Tilden.

Absent—Mr. Witsch.

On motion the reading of the minutes of the last regular meeting was dispensed with and they were approved as printed in manual form.

#### PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS.

Petitions of Emmett Smith, The Mutual Benefit Life Insurance Company of Newark, Jacob Wagener, Frederick Bush and S. A. Braeck for compromise of assessments.

Petition of John J. Ard for an extension of time in which to pay the face value of an assessment without interest.

Petition of Abel B. Wilson for reduction of assessed valuations.

Petition of E. Ward for return of money paid in error on taxes.

Petition of H. Boyd for correction on taxes. All the above petitions were received and referred to the Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments.

Memorandum of an agreement between the Mayor and Aldermen of Jersey City and Elijah T. Paxton. Received and referred to the Committee on Finance and Claims.

#### PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS.

Claim of Allan L. McDermott of \$174.89, being disbursements as Corporation Attorney. Received and referred to the Committee on Finance and Claims.

Claim of A. Walker of \$20 for one clock in office of the Board of Finance and Taxation. Received and referred to the Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies.

#### OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

Official bond of Edward Brannagan as constable in the sum of \$1,000 with Henry Puster and Patrick McLane as sureties.

Received and referred to the Committee on Finance and Claims.

The City Comptroller reported the following total receipts of the City Treasury, May 31st to June 6th, 1883, both days included, at \$29,572.43. The City Treasurer reported the following total balance credited to all the accounts in the city depositories at the close of business this day at \$152,021.97.

Both reports were received and ordered filed. Estimate of appropriations required by the Board of Public Works for the fiscal year beginning Dec. 1st, 1883, and ending November 30th, 1883, to wit:

Streets and sewers.....	\$50,000 00
Reconstruction of streets and sewers.....	50,000 00
Continuation of sewer in Montgomery street from bridge to Brunswick street.....	3,000 00
Public grounds and buildings.....	3,000 00
Repairing school house and play ground.....	20,000 00
To rebuild school No 9 on Tonnelle avenue.....	15,000 00
Salaries.....	6,500 00
Printing and stationery.....	2,000 00
Engineering Bureau.....	15,000 00

Received and referred to the Committee of the Whole.

The following concurrent resolutions were received from the Board of Public Works and referred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions:

1. Pay roll of the Committee on Water Rates and Assessments for the month of May, 1883, amounting to \$1,180 02.

2. Pay roll of the Committee on Extensions and Distributions for the month of May, 1883, amounting to \$1,303 70.

3. Ordering paid certain claims. On motion the Board took a recess.

The Board reassembled—the same members present.

#### REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Concurrent Resolutions reported on concurrent resolutions from the Board of Public Works recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works Jan. 29th, 1883, to wit:

Awarding contract to John McLaughlin for the construction of sewer in Laidlaw avenue from Oakland avenue to a point 75 feet west of Palisade avenue, be and is hereby non-concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation, for the reason that the State Legislature has passed an act since the passage of said resolution which will conflict with the contract if drawn under the provisions of said resolution making it impossible to compel the contractor to accept the terms necessary under the new law.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works, May 28, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That by and with the concurrence of the Board of Finance and Taxation the report of the Committee on Streets and Sewers upon the petition in writing of E. F. C. Young and others, presented to this Board on the 14th day of May 1883 for the condemnation of a strip of land four feet in width through block 192 the easterly line of the strip of land to be acquired to be the westerly property line of the lands now owned by Isaac S. Taylor and the estate of J. Winner be and the same is hereby accepted by this Board which hereby declares that it favors said petition and the same is hereby referred to the Commissioners of Assessment and the Chief Engineer, he being a disinterested Surveyor not interested in said improvement to be proceeded with according to law, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, that the pay roll resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works, June 4, 1883, as presented by the Committee on Water Rates and Assessments for the month of May, 1883, amounting to \$1,180.02 Be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the pay roll resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works June 4, 1883, as presented by the Committee on Extensions and Distributions for the month of May 1883, amounting to \$1,303.70. Be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works, May 28, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That by and with the concurrence of the Board of Finance and Taxation, Patrick McLoughlin, be and is hereby appointed helper to Tapper at the salary of \$65 per month. Be and is hereby non-concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation, as there is no vacancy.

Resolved, That the following resolution, adopted by the Board of Public Works, May 28, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That by and with the concurrence of the Board of Finance and Taxation, \$47 66 be paid to Patrick McLoughlin, for services as helper to Tapper in month of April, 1883. Be and is hereby non-concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation, for the reason that this Board has not concurred in the appointment of the said Patrick McLoughlin as a helper to the Tapper.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works, May 28, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That \$21 be paid to A. B. Parsell, \$75 to The Argus, \$16 50 to Horwedel & Co., \$8 02 to A. A. Donnelly, \$14 45 to National Meter Co., \$12 16 to Charles Scott, \$8 30 to N J Telephone Co., \$8 75 to F A Smith, \$22, \$20 and \$8 to The Argus, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works, May 21, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That \$80 80 be paid to James Muldoon, \$40 05 to Patrick Boos, \$43 75 to Thomas B O'Neill, \$35 to Bartley Coyle, \$6 to Patrick Sherry, \$29 75 to Thomas Holmes, \$21 15 to Thomas F Noonan, \$9 75 to F Forrester's Sons, \$10 to Patrick Sherry, \$17 50 to John W Lynch, \$69 40 to Brinkman & Hawk, \$11 to E J Whalen, agent, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.



Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works, May 28, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That \$24 be paid to The Argus, \$20 to the Evening Journal Association, \$2 40 to J C Herald, \$2 85 to N J Freie Presse, \$250 to Frank Levine, \$80 18 to F A Smith, \$8 to Michael Fitzpatrick, \$5 35 to John G Klupenspie, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

The President having called for the ayes and nays on each of the above resolutions the reports of the Committee were received and the resolutions adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—President Beach Messrs. McGill, Smith and Tilden.

Absent—Mr. Witsch.

The Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments reported on petition of Michael Tracy recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Michael Tracy for the sum of \$5 55, being amount paid in error on lot 13, block 596, No. 814 Newark avenue, for water rents for the year 1882, as per certificate of the Water Assessor hereto attached.

The President having called for the yeas and nays on the above resolutions the report of the committee was received and the resolutions adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—President Beach, Messrs. McGill, Smith and Tilden.

Absent—Mr. Witsch.

#### MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

By Mr. McGill:

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn upon the City Treasurer in favor of that officer for the sum of forty thousand dollars to transfer that amount from water account to general account to return part of loan.

By Mr. McGill:

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of George H. Farrier, County Collector, for the sum of ten thousand dollars to be applied on account of county taxes for the year 1882-83.

By Mr. McGill:

Resolved, That a committee of two consisting of Messrs. Tilden and Witsch be appointed for the purpose of conferring with the publishers of the official newspapers of Jersey City

concerning the advertising of sales of lands for unpaid taxes for the years 1879 and 1880, said committee to report to this Board at its earliest convenience.

By Mr. Smith:

Resolved, That the sales made to the City Treasurer for unpaid taxes of 1871, 1873, 1874, 1875 and 1877, of lot designated as 51 B. Terry Alley, in block 623 be cancelled of record by the City Clerk for the reason that said lot was erroneously assessed, it being a part of Bevans street, in the 4th district.

By Mr. Smith:

Resolved, That the resolution adopted by this Board April 13th, 1883, offering a compromise to Frances A. Bliss of a certain assessment on lot 48, block 279 known as assessment for lateral sewer in Bergen avenue, Belmont avenue to Montgomery street, the principal amount being \$475, and which said compromise was the throwing off the interest on said principal amount, be and the same is hereby rescinded and made null et void and of no effect.

By Mr. Smith:

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby authorized and requested to accept from Francis E. Bliss the principal amount of the following assessments on lot 48, block 279, without any interest:

Sewer in Jewett avenue, Bergen avenue, west.....	\$10 00
Main sewer, Section "A," Second drainage district.....	159 81
Main sewer, section "B," Second drainage district.....	1,092 00
Sewer in Linden avenue.....	1,383 06
Lateral sewer in Bergen avenue, Belmont to Montgomery street.....	475 00
Provided all other assessments and taxes are paid in full with interest and costs if any, and provided that said payments are made within thirty days from the date of the passage of this resolution, otherwise the resolution to be null et void and of no effect whatever.	

The President having called for the yeas and nays on each of the above resolutions, they were adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—President Beach, Messrs. McGill, Smith and Tilden.

Absent—Mr. Witsch.

On motion the Board adjourned.

JOHN T. VAN CLEEF, Clerk.





Regular meeting of the Board of Finance and Taxation, held in the City Hall, Wednesday, June 13th, 1883, at 7:30 o'clock p. m.

Present—All the members.

On motion the reading of the minutes of the last regular meeting was dispensed with and they were approved as printed in manual form.

#### PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS.

Petitions for compromise of assessments were received from the Dime Savings Bank of Hudson City, George F. Oakley, Sarah E. Fratts, Cornelius Vreeland and G. R. Bishop.

Petition of James W. Peilder for correction of taxes.

All the above petitions were received and referred to the Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments.

Communication from Thomas H. Kelly, attorney for Michael McDermott, requesting payment of ninety-eight dollars for services rendered the city by order of the Board of Public Works.

Received and referred to the Corporation Counsel.

#### PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS.

Claim of John T. Van Cleef of \$21 for disbursements.

Claim of Heppenheimer & Maurer of \$267 for corporation printing.

Both the above claims were received and referred to the Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies.

#### OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

Official bond of Edlen W. Harrison as surveyor of the Engineering Bureau with Frank W. Mitchell and George P. Howell as sureties.

Received and referred to the Committee on Finance and Claims.

The City Treasurer reported the following total balance credited to all the accounts in the city depositories at the close of business this day, at \$156,638 63.

The City Comptroller reported the following total receipts of the City Treasury, June 7th to 13th, 1883, both days included, as \$29,455 92.

Both reports were received and ordered filed.

The Corporation Counsel reported the following petitions for difference between the old and new assessments, recommending the payment of the same:

Grace C. Snelling .....	\$1,880 38
Margaret Tappan .....	71 86
James O. Donnell .....	7 27
Edward Murphy .....	11 46

The communication was received, ordered filed, and the subject matter was referred to the Committee on Finance and Claims.

Resolution from the Board of Public Works requesting transfer of the appropriations for July, August, September and October, account of reconstruction of streets and sewers to the credit of the month of June, 1883, same committee, for the purpose of paying contract incurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Received and referred to the Committee on Finance and Claims.

The following concurrent resolutions were received from the Board of Public Works and referred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions:

1. Authorizing Committee to lay water pipe from water main in South street to the factory of C. Chaffanyou.

2. Fixing the rate for water used by the Hackensack Water Company for Hoboken and for water used by Jersey City taken from Hackensack Water Company.

3. Pay roll resolution of the Committee on Pumping and Reservoirs for the month of May, 1883, amounting to \$2,137 54.

4. Advertising for about 7,500 tons of coal to be taken from the mines named in the resolution.

5. Appointment of Patrick McLaughlin as helper to tapper.

6. Ordering paid claim of Patrick McLaughlin of \$65 for service as helper to tapper for month of May, 1883.

7. Two resolutions ordering paid certain claims.

On motion the Board took a recess.

The Board re-assembled, all the members present.

#### REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Finance and Claims reported on resolution from the Board of Public Works requesting transfer recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the City Comptroller be and he is hereby requested to transfer from the account of Reconstruction of streets and Sewers the appropriations made for June and July to the appropriations for May, 1883 same account Board of Public Works fiscal year 1882 and '83.

The same committee reported on claim of Allan L. McDermott for disbursements, recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Allan L. McDermott for the sum of \$174 89, being amount of disbursements and costs incurred as Corporation Attorney from January 28th to June 5th, 1883.

The same committee reported on the official bonds of Thomas J. Cogan, Edward Brannagan, Thomas Trotter and Henry F. Crawford, recommending that they be received, spread in full on the bond book and filed.

The President having called for the ayes and nays on each of the above resolutions the reports of the committee were received and the resolutions and recommendations adopted unanimously.

The Committee on Concurrent Resolutions reported on concurrent resolutions from the Board of Public Works recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That that part of the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works June 11th, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That by and with the concurrence of the Board of Finance and Taxation the Committee on Pumping and Reservoirs be and is hereby authorized to advertise for about 750 gross tons of Lehigh coal to be taken from one of the following named mines:

A. Pardee & Co.'s, Hazleton.

G. B. Linderman & Co.'s, Sugar Loaf.

Lehigh Valley Coal Co.'s, Packer No. 4.

Van Winkle Stout Co.'s, Fulton.

Lehigh Valley Coal Co.'s, Jeddo.

Be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works, June 11th, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That by and with the concurrence of the Board of Finance and Taxation the Committee on Extensions and Distributions be authorized to lay a 4-inch water pipe from the water main in South street to the factory of C. Chaffanyou, to be used in case of fire only; and further:

Resolved, That the gate on the same be kept sealed and locked except in case of fire.

Be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following preamble and resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works, June 11, 1883, to wit:

Whereas, The Hackensack Water Company reorganized have proposed to maintain a connection between the mains in their high service District of Jersey City, in consideration that a connection be maintained between the mains of Jersey City and Hoboken, and also to furnish Jersey City with water when required on equitable terms on condition that Jersey City will furnish water for use in Hoboken when required on equitable terms. Therefore

Resolved, That by and with the concurrence of the Board of Finance and Taxation this proposition be accepted on the following terms: Said Hackensack Water Company reorganized to pay Jersey City at rate of \$300 per day when water is taken for use in Hoboken and Jersey City to pay said Hackensack Water Company reorganized at the rate of \$100 per day when water is taken for use in the High Service District of Jersey City—this agreement to continue in force three years during which time said connections shall be maintained, the gates to be kept locked and sealed when not in use. And further



Resolved, That the authority for turning on water be vested in the foreman at pipe yard, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the pay roll resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works, June 11, 1883, as presented by the Committee on Pumping and Reservoirs, for the month of May, 1883, amounting to \$2,137 64, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution, adopted by the Board of Public Works, June 4 1883 to wit:

Resolved, That \$36 be paid to Peter Daly for services as janitor, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works, June 4, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That \$368 22 be paid to H. F. Randolph, \$864 13 to H. F. Randolph, \$55 to Northrup & Co., \$330 96, to John A. Whalen, \$43 35 to James Donald & Co., \$14 to Warner & Carscallen, \$24 to Thomas Trotter Sr., \$230 34, \$279 90, \$35 02, \$455 66, \$143 69 to Warren Foundry and Mach ne Co., \$24 to J. C. Herold, \$16 to Ewald & Bro, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation

The President having called for the ayes and nays on each of the above resolutions the reports of the Committee were received and the resolutions adopted unanimously

The Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments reported, recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

On petition of Cornelius Vreeland :  
Resolved, That the City Collector be and is hereby authorized to receive from Cornelius Vreeland or his representatives the face value of the following assessment without interest :

Improvement of West Grand street pile foundation on lots 69, 70 71 and 68, blocks 723 and 721, re-confirmed May 20, 1874..... \$12 43

Provided all other taxes and assessments are paid in full with interest and costs if any, and provided further that said payments are made within sixty days from the date of the passage of this resolution, otherwise the resolution to be null et void and of no effect whatever.

On petition of Emmett Smith :

Resolved, That the City Collector be and is hereby authorized to receive from Emmett Smith or his representative the face value of the following assessment on lots 38 to 39, block 140, without interest :

Widening Palisade avenue, confirmation approved July 5th, 1870..... \$121 60

Provided all other assessments and taxes due on said property are paid in full with interest and costs if any and provided that said payments are made within sixty days from the date of the passage of this resolution otherwise the resolution to be null et void and of no effect.

On petition of the Mutual Benefit Life Insurance Co. of Newark :

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby authorized to receive from the Mutual Benefit Life Insurance Company of Newark or its representative the face value of the following assessment on lots No. 17, 18 and 19, block 307, without interest :

Widening of Montgomery street, between Jersey avenue and the centre of Mill Creek, reconfirmation approved June 21, 1874..... \$762 43

Provided all other assessments and taxes due on said property are paid in full with interest and costs if any, and provided further that said payments are made within sixty days from the date of the passage of this resolution otherwise the resolution to be null et void and of no effect.

On petition of John S. Sutphen :

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby authorized to receive from John S. Sutphen or his representative the sum of twenty-eight hundred (\$2,800) dollars in full settlement of the following assessments and to cancel and to receipt for the same in full, viz :

Lateral sewer in Fairmount avenue, on lot 19, block 280.

Lateral sewer in Bergen avenue, Belmont avenue to Montgomery street, lots 1 and 2, block 280

Lateral sewer in Jewett avenue, Bergen avenue, East, lot 20 block 280.

Main sewer section A, second drainage district, lots 1 1-2 and 2, 19 and 20, block 280

Main sewer section "C", second drainage district, lots 1 1-2 and 2, 19 and 20, block 280

Improvement Bergen avenue, Communlpaw to Montgomery street, reconfirmed October 9th, 1878, lots 1 1-2 and 2, 19 and 20, block 280.

Provided all other assessments and taxes due on said property are paid in full with interest and costs if any, and provided that said payments are made within sixty days from the date of the passage of this resolution, otherwise the resolution to be null et void and of no effect.

The President having called for the yeas and nays on the above resolution, it was adopted by the following vote :

Yeas—President Beach, Messrs. McGill, Tilden and Witsch.

Nays—Mr. Smith.

On petition of S. A. Busick :

Resolved, That the City Collector be and is hereby authorized to receive from S. A. Busick or his representatives the face value of the following assessments without interest to wit :

Main Sewer section A, Second District, lot 6, block 229, confirmed Feb. 26, 1874..... \$57 25

Main Sewer, Section A, Second District, lot 7, block 229, confirmed Feb. 26, 1874..... 28 83

Main Sewer, Section B, Second Drainage District, lot 6, block 229, confirmed March 1, 1874..... 390 87

Main Sewer, Section B, Second Drainage District, lot 7, block 229, confirmed March 1, 1874..... 196 82

Lateral Sewer, in Fairmount avenue, lot 6, block 229, confirmed March 6, 1874..... 576 25

Lateral Sewer, in Fairmount avenue, lot 7, block 229, confirmed March 6, 1874..... 290 16

Grating etc., Bergen avenue, from Newark and N. Y. Plank Road to New Jersey allway, on lot 6 and 7, block 229, confirmed March 17, 1871..... 7 00

Provided all other assessments and taxes due on said property are paid in full with interest and costs if any, and said payments are made within sixty days from the date of the passage of this resolution, otherwise the resolution to be null et void and of no effect.

On petition of John M. Shannon :

Resolved, That the City Collector be and is hereby authorized to receive from John M. Shannon or his representatives the face value of the following assessment on lot 11, block 563, without interest.

Improvement of Concord street, Fleet street to Hopkins avenue, confirmation approved October 8, 1873..... \$205 59

Provided all other assessments and taxes due on property are paid in full with interest and costs if any, and provided further that said payments are made within sixty days from the date of the passage of this resolution otherwise the resolution to be null et void and of no effect.

On petition of Frederick Bush:

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby authorized to receive from Frederick Bush the face value of the following assessments on lot 3, block 93, without interest:

Main sewer in Newark avenue from Five Corners to the Hackensack River, confirmed April 23, 1874..... \$100 70

Provided all other assessments and taxes due on said property are paid in full with interest and costs if any, and provided further that said payments are made within sixty days from the date of the passage of this resolution, otherwise the resolution to be null et void and of no effect.

On petition of John J. Ard :

Whereas John J. Ard for good and sufficient reason has been unable to comply with the provisions of a certain resolution adopted February 21st, 1883, authorizing the settlement of a







certain assessment without interest and on said account the resolution having become null and void and of no effect; therefore

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby authorized to receive from John J. Ard or his representative the face value of the following assessment on lot 4, block 690 without interest:

Main sewer in Newark avenue from Five Corners to Hackensack River, commenced April 23d, 1874..... \$405 48

Provided all other assessments and taxes due on said property are paid in full with interest and costs if any, and provided further that said payments are made within sixty days from the date of the passage of this resolution otherwise the resolution to be null and void and of no effect.

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Eliazur Ward, for the sum of \$93 52, being amount paid in error on taxes for the year 1882, on lot 90, block 283, as per certificate of the City Collector attached to the petition, the property is owned by Joseph McCoy and the taxes for the year 1882 paid by him.

On petition of Adell B. Wilson

Resolved, That the petition of Adell B. Wilson for reduction of assessed valuations for taxes for the years 1880, 1881 and 1882, on lot 25, blocks 275 and 280, be not granted for the reason that the petitioner should have applied to the

Board of Commissioners of appeal in cases of taxation for the various years years complained of, the Board of Finance and Taxation having no authority to reduce valuations.

The President having called for the yeas and nays on each of the above resolutions, the reports of committee were received and the resolutions and recommendations adopted unanimously

The Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies reported, recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

On claim of John T. Van Cleef

Resolved, That the sum of \$21 be paid to John T. Van Cleef, for disbursements as Clerk to the Board of Finance and Taxation.

On claim of Heppenheimer & Maurer.

Resolved, That the sum of \$267 be paid to Heppenheimer & Maurer for corporation printing and warrant books.

Resolved, That the sum of \$90 be paid to Adolph Walter for one clock for office of the Board of Finance and Taxation

The President having called for yeas and nays on each of the above resolutions the reports of the committee were received and the resolutions adopted unanimously.

#### MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

On motion the Board adjourned.

JOHN T. VAN CLEEF, Clerk.



Regular meeting of the Board of Finance and Taxation, held in the City Hall, Wednesday, June 20th, 1883, at 7:30 o'clock p. m.

Present—All the members.

On motion the reading of the minutes of the last regular meeting was dispensed with and they were approved as printed in manual form.

#### PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS.

Petition of William Boyle for difference between old and new assessment.

Received and referred to the Corporation Counsel.

Petition of Washington B. Williams, receiver Mechanics and Laborers Bank, for compromise of assessments.

Petition of A. Van Horn for compromise of assessments.

Petition of T. G. and W. W. Carson for return of money paid in error on water rents.

All the above petitions were received and referred to the Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments.

Petition of Michael Doyle, requesting payment of the salaries of Frank Caulfield and Thomas Cavanagh for work done for Board of Public Works during the months of November and December, 1883.

The above matter was received and referred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions.

#### PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS.

Claim of The Argus of \$18 for printing manuals, pages 16 to 22 inclusive.

Received and referred to the Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies.

#### OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

Resolution from the City Comptroller for 500 copies of Financial statement.

Received and referred to the Committee on Printing, Stationery and supplies with power.

Official bond of John Feeney as constable in the sum of \$1,000, with Dennis McLaughlin and John Boyd as sureties.

Received and referred to the Committee on Finance and Claims.

The City Treasurer reported the following balance credited to all the accounts in the city depositories at the close of business this day, at \$190,387 34.

The City Comptroller reported the following receipts of the City Treasury, June 14th to 20th, 1883, both days included, at \$40,441 89.

Both reports were received and ordered filed.

Estimate of appropriations required by the Board of Police Commissioners for the fiscal year beginning December 1st, 1883, and ending November 30th, 1884, to wit:

Committee on Salaries.....	\$19,275 00
Committee on Station Houses and Prisons.....	10,925 00
Committee on Lamps and Lights....	95,54 25
Committee on Hospital and Dispensaries.....	20,000 00
Committee on Health.....	4,000 00

Total.....\$319,724 25

Received and referred to the Committee of the Whole.

On motion the Board took a recess.

The Board re-assembled, all the members present.

#### REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Concurrent Resolutions reported on concurrent resolutions from the Board of Public Works recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works May 11, 1883, to-wit:

Resolved, That \$39 99 be paid to James Muldoon, \$6 to Patrick Sherry, \$139 84 to Warner & Carscallen, \$34 44 to Hodgman & Co, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works, June 11th, 1883, to-wit:

Resolved, That \$200 be paid to Thomas Cavanagh, \$333 44 to John A. Whalen, \$16 to Warner & Carscallen, \$6 50 to Patrick Sherry, \$21 to

James Howell, he and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

The President having called for the yeas and nays on each of the above resolutions, the reports of committee were received and the resolutions adopted unanimously.

The Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments reported, recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

On petition of the Dime Savings Bank of Hudson City:

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby requested and authorized to receive from the Dime Savings Bank of the City of Hudson or its representatives the face value of the following assessment, without interest, to wit:

Improvement of Grace street, between Montgomery street and Bergenwood avenue, app. August 4th, 1871, on lots 33 and 36, block 609.....\$244 21

Provided all other assessments and taxes due on said property are paid in full with all interest and costs and said payments all made within sixty days from the date of the passage of said resolution, otherwise the resolution to be null and void and of no effect.

On petition of Jacob Wagner:

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby instructed to cancel the assessment against lot 3, block 163, for opening of Montgomery street, approved March 30th, 1870, in the name of Dittmar & Wagner, for the reason that the damages to said property accruing from said improvement were much greater than the benefits, and according to the certificate of the Chief Engineer the assessment map shows that the benefits were cancelled by the award for damages, leaving a balance due said Wagner & Dittmar, said certificate being attached to the petition: and further

Resolved, That the City Collector be instructed to receive from said Dittmar & Wagner or their representatives the following assessments without interest:

Assessment for grading &c., Bergen avenue, Newark and N Y & R to N J R R, confirmed March 17th, 1871.....\$283 52

Assessment for improvement of Bergen avenue, Vroom to Montgomery, confirmed June 2, 1874.....280 63

Assessment for sewer in West View avenue from Montgomery street, confirmed March 6, 1874.....292 03

Assessment for main sewer section "A" Second Drainage District, confirmed February 2, 1874.....22 41

Assessment for main sewer section "B" Second Drainage District, approved March 10, 1874.....152 98

Provided all other assessments and taxes due on said property are paid on said property in full with interest and costs, if any, and provided further that said payments are made within sixty days from the date of the passage of this resolution, otherwise the resolution to be null and void and of no effect.

On petition of John W. Fielder:

Resolved, That the City Clerk be requested to cancel the sales made of property in the name of John W. Fielder for the years 1869 and 1872, described as follows: Plots 1 38-40 to 43, all of plot 54, 70 and 72, N. W. part of plot D, 150x200, Fielder's map of Pamrap, Sixth District, assessed at a valuation of \$4 000, and further to alter the records in the sales books for said years so that the property owned by John W. Fielder may appear described as follows with the following valuations:

West 1/4 48, East 1/4 48, 46, 44, West 1/4 43 block 1, 380.....\$775 00

West 1/4 70, East 1/4 72, block 1, 250, Pamrap avenue.....250 10

West part of plot D block 1, 25 (causal) 400 00

And further to so arrange the sales books for the said years so that it will appear the plots last above described were sold taken at a total valuation of \$1 425 as above set forth, and that the said John W. Fielder be allowed to redeem the said property from the lien of said sales by paying all costs and interest, and the tax rate at the valuations as fixed above. This correction being made in accordance with a certificate of the Assessor of the Sixth District at-





attached to a former petition of said John W. Fielder presented to this Board December 13, 1882.

On petition of A. Van Horn:

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby requested and authorized to receive from A. Van Horn the face value of the following assessments without interest, to wit:

Grading Washington avenue, Com. muniaw avenue, to city line, south. Approved Sept. 4th, 1874.

lots 1 to 11, both inclusive, blk. 573. \$1,870 55

Opening and extension of Cartaret

avenue, from Ocean avenue to Cen-

tral R. R. Approved June 18, 1874,

lots 1 to 11, blk. 573; 3 13 to 18 in-

clusive, blk. 572, lots 3 and 4, blk.

571. .... 181 21

Provided all other assessments and taxes due on said property are paid in full with interest and costs if any, and provided said payments are made within sixty days from the date of the passage of this resolution otherwise the resolution to be null et void and of no effect.

On petition of Patrick Sheridan:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Patrick Sheridan for the sum of \$20, being amount paid in error on lot 86, block 131, for water rents for the year 1878, as per certificate of the Water Registrar attached to the petition, and that the Water Registrar be notified.

The same committee reported on petitions of G. R. Bishop for Grace Church, George F. Oakley and Sarah E. Fratts, for compromise of assessments, adverse, for the reason that the assessments are just and reasonable.

The President having called for the ayes and nays on each of the above resolutions the reports of the Committee were received and the resolutions and recommendations adopted unanimously.

#### MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

A committee from the Board of Police Commissioners submitted to the Board the architect's plans for a new station house and city prison. The plans were received and on motion referred to a special committee consisting of Messrs. Smith and Witsch.

On motion the Board adjourned.

JOHN T. VAN CLEEF, Clerk.



Regular meeting of the Board of Finance and Taxation, of Jersey City, held in the City Hall, June 27th, 1883, at 7:30 o'clock p.m.

Present—All the members.

The reading of the minutes of the last meeting was on motion dispensed with and they were approved as written.

#### PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS.

Petitions of Melissa Clark, John J. Siefke, James Clark, for compromise of taxes and assessments, were received and referred to the Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments.

Petition of J. Flemming for return of money paid in error on water rents and taxes, received and referred to committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments.

Official bond of Franklin D. Crouse, as constable in \$1,000, with John Headden and John Troll as sureties.

Received and referred to the Committee on Finance and Claims.

#### PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS.

Claims of the Jordan Stationery Company of \$152.00 for stationery for Assessors, and of the Chelsea Ice Company of \$12.25, for ice furnished City Hall, May 27 to June 27, 1883.

Received and referred to the Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies.

#### OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

Inquisitions from the City Comptroller and City Clerk for stationery, and from the Board of Assessors for six directories.

Received and referred to the Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies with power.

Communication from the City Comptroller, showing forty-eight coupon bonds exchanged for registered bonds Nos. 1251 to 1298 both inclusive. Received and ordered filed.

The City Treasurer reported a balance of \$335,596.15 in the city depositories at close of business this day.

The City Comptroller reported the receipts for the week ending June 17th, 1883, to be \$151,947.31.

Both reports were received and ordered filed.

#### Opinion of Corporation Counsel.

Jersey City, June 23, 1883.  
Hon. Board of Finance and Taxation:

Gentlemen—I return you herewith petition of Michael McDermott to be paid for work on water pipes, also statement of Chief Engineer as to the facts. Mr. McDermott cannot be paid until you concur in the pay rolls of the Board of Works or that Board shall reduce its pay rolls to the amounts you designated and you then act thereon. The men who did the work are many of them in need of the money and I would advise your Board to call the attention of the Board of Public Works to this matter and ask them to bring their pay rolls within the amount fixed by your Board so that the men can be paid that amount at least.

Respectfully submitted,

LEON A. BETT,  
Corporation Counsel.

The opinion was received and ordered filed.  
Communication from the Board of Directors of Education in regard to claims of census takers showing amounts due and remaining unpaid for years of 1880, 1881 and 1882.

Received and laid on the table.

The following estimates of appropriations for the next fiscal year were received from the same Board and referred to the Committee of the Whole:

For Teachers Salaries and fuel.....	\$190,000
Janitors and Clerks salaries.....	15,500
Boys, Stationery and Music.....	15,000
Furniture and Repairs.....	15,000
Printing and Blanks.....	1,500
Annual Report.....	400
Rentals.....	1,500
Janitors supplies.....	1,500
Free Library.....	1,000
Census.....	1,600
Gas.....	750
High School incidental expenses.....	250
Evening Schools.....	7,500
<b>Totals.....</b>	<b>\$261,500</b>

Communication from the Committee on Furniture and Repairs of the same Board in reference to the appropriation required for said committee for the next fiscal year.

Received and referred to the Committee of the Whole.

The following estimates of appropriations required by the Board of Fire Commissioners for the next fiscal year were received and referred to the Committee of the Whole:

For Salaries.....	\$77,875
For Claims.....	22,000
For Two Ho e tenders.....	1,200
For One Steam Fire Engine.....	4,000
For Reconstruction of Fire Alarm Telegraph.....	1,000
	<b>\$105,575</b>

Resolution from the Board of Aldermen requesting this Board to make an appropriation sufficient to cover the cost of laying asphaltum or some other noiseless pavement in Coopers place.

Received and referred to the Committee of the Whole.

Resolution from the Board of Aldermen requesting this Board in the next tax levy to increase the salaries of the clerks in the City Clerk's office, and to provide additional clerical help in said office. Received and referred to the Committee of the Whole.

The following estimates of appropriations for the next fiscal year were received from the Board of Aldermen and referred to the Committee of the Whole:

For relief of out-door poor December, January, February and March, \$2,000 each month.....	\$3,000
For April.....	1,500
May to November, inclusive \$500 each month.....	3,500

<b>Total.....</b>	<b>\$18,000</b>
For printing, stationery and supplies.....	3,500
For a free salt water bath.....	4,000
For transportation of cannon donated by act of Congress for monumental purposes.....	25

For elections:

For expenses of Registry and Annual Municipal Election....	\$7,000
For expenses of Registry and General Election.....	4,000
For sixty glass ballot boxes as required by law.....	600
	<b>\$11,600</b>

For public grounds and buildings, care of parks, four park keepers, seven months in the year, \$40 per month..... \$1,120 |

For painting fences, benches and fountains, and incidentals.... 1,500 |

For removing fence from Hamilton Park and improvement of Park..... 2,000 |

For three urinals for parks and sewer connections for same.. 800 |

For repairs to the City Hall and renovating same..... 570 |

For numbering houses in the Greenville district to facilitate free Post office delivery, For payment of salaries:

City Clerk.....	3,000
City Marshal.....	1,000
Overseer of Poor.....	1,000
For celebration of Fourth of July.....	3,000

For observance of Decoration Day..... 200 |

For District Courts:

Salaries of Judges.....	6,000
" Clerks.....	2,000
" Constables.....	350

Printing, Stationery and Supplies..... 500 |

Rent of District Court Room.... 400 |

Contingent expenses..... 50 |

**Total.....** **\$60,695** |

Resolution from the Board of Aldermen requesting this Board to appropriate sufficient money in the next fiscal year to build an exten-





sion to the City Hall for Police Headquarters, Board of Works and City offices.

Received and referred to the Committee of the Whole.

The following resolutions were received from the Board of Public Works and referred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions, except the first, which was referred to the Committee on Finance and Claims:

1. Requesting transfer on reconstruction account.
2. Pay roll of Water Rates and Assessments for June, 1883.
3. Construction of sewer in Jefferson avenue.
4. Construction of sewer in St. Paul's avenue.
5. Appointment of Edward Nelson as fireman.
6. Extending time for payment of arrears of water rents at seven per cent. to August 1st, 1883.
7. Ordering paid claims of Julius Johnson & Co.
8. Ordering paid claims of Grimes & Wilson.
9. Ordering paid miscellaneous claims.
10. Ordering paid miscellaneous claims.

On motion, the Board took a recess of twenty minutes.

On reassembling all the members were present.

A committee appointed by the Board of Aldermen consisting of Aldermen Kelly, Reynolds and Hillard appeared before the Board and requested the Board to make some provision for the expenditure of \$700 for the celebration of the 4th of July, 1883.

President Beach in reply stated that this Board had no authority to appropriate any money for that purpose.

#### REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES.

The special committee consisting of Messrs Tilden & Witsch appointed for the purpose of conferring with the publishers of the official newspapers of Jersey City concerning the advertising of sales of lands for unpaid taxes for the years 1879 and 1880, reported and recommended the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That a sale of lands be made for the unpaid taxes of 1879 on the best as reported by the special committee that is to say: The payment for advertising must not exceed \$1,450 for the daily papers the weekly papers to receive sixty per cent. of the amount paid to the daily papers; and be it further

Resolved, That the Corporation Counsel be and he is hereby instructed to prepare and have executed the necessary contracts for the proper performance of said work.

The President having called for the ayes and nays on the above resolution the report was received and the resolution adopted unanimously.

The committee was then discharged.

#### REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEE.

The Committee on Concurrent Resolutions reported on concurrent resolutions from the Board of Public Works recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the pay-roll resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works June 25, 1883, as presented by the Committee on Water Rates and Assessments for the month of June, 1883 amounting to \$1,240 02, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

On appointment of Edward Nelson as Fireman:

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works June 25, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That b. and with the concurrence of the Board of Finance and Taxation Edward Nelson be and he is hereby appointed a fireman at High Service, at a salary of \$55 per month in place of F. C. Yoe. Said appointment to take effect at once, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

On extension of time to pay arrearages of Water Rents.

Resolved, That the following resolution, adopted by the Board of Public Works, June 25, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That by and with the concurrence of the Board of Finance and Taxation the Water Registrar be and he is hereby directed to extend the time for shutting off water until the first day of August, 1883, and continue to receive arrears for Water Rents for the years 1871 to 1881 inclusive, at seven per cent. to that date, and that notice be served upon all persons in arrears for said years that the water will be shut off unless paid on or before the expiration of August 1st, 1883, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

The President having called for the ayes and nays on all of the above resolutions the reports of the Committee were received and the resolutions adopted unanimously.

The Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments reported recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

On salaries—Resolved, That warrants be drawn on the City Treasurer for the payment of salaries for the month of June, 1883, when due, viz:

Isaac W. Tausig, Mayor	186 00
Thomas Earle, City Treasurer	20 00
Samuel C. Nelson, City Comptroller	200 00
James H. Lova, City Collector	200 10
Leon Abbott, Corporation Counsel	333 33
Allen T. McDermott, Corporation Att'y.	150 00
John T. Van Cleef, Clerk of the Board of Finance and Taxation	100 00
Isaac Morrow, Jr., Clerk to Treasurer	100 00
George R. Hugh, Clerk to Comptroller	100 00
A. D. Whyte, Assistant to Collector	110 00
S. D. Dickinson, Clerk to Collector	83 33
John T. M. Kaylor, Clerk to Collector	70 00
Louis E. Smith,	79 00
Charles Krebs,	70 00
William H. Tuttle,	70 00
James C. Connelly,	70 00
Charles Freeman,	70 00
Patrick O'Neill, messenger	60 00
William H. Powell, marshal 2nd District	

Court	50 00
T. K. Halstead, clerk to City Clerk	75 00
N. E. Heury	75 00
E. L. Hudson,	66 66
The Argus, printing minutes	203 33
The Evening Journal, printing minutes	203 33
Elizabeth Lynch, cleaning rooms in City Hall	30 00
Ann Norton, cleaning rooms in City Hall	30 00

Resolved, That warrants be drawn on the City Treasurer for the payment of salaries of the members of the Board of Finance and Taxation for the three months ending June 30, 1883, to wit:

Marcus Beach	\$125 00
John B. McGill	125 00
Simon H. Smith	125 00
Marmaduke Tilden	125 00
Otto J. Witsch	12 00

The same committee reported on petition of W. B. Williams, Receiver M & L Savings Bank, for a compromise of assessments, recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby authorized and directed to receive from W. B. Williams, receiver of the M & L Savings Bank, the full value of the following assessments without interest, to wit:

Improvement of West Grand street, nile foundation, reconfirmed May 20, 1874	\$51 34
Widening West Grand street, Mill Creek to Golden place, confirmed March 9, 1874	1 10
Grading curbing and flagging Grand street and Newark plank road, confirmed March 24, 1874	441 22
Main sewer section "A," second drainage dist., confirmed February 26, 1874	274 52

Provided all other assessments and taxes due on said property are paid in full; with all arrearages of interest, and said payments are made within sixty days from the date of the passage of this resolution, otherwise the resolution to be null and void of no effect.

The same committee reported on petition of William Williams for rebate on water rents, recommending the adoption of the following resolution:



Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of William Williams for the sum of \$3 60, it having been paid in error on water rents for 1883, he having been charged for a market on lot No 17, block 283, No 748 Jersey avenue, no market existing on said premises, according to the certificate of the Water Registrar attached to the petition, Water Registrar to be notified.

On petition of F G & W W Carson, for rebate on water rents, recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the sum of \$17 80 be paid to F G & W W Carson to return said amount, it having been paid in error on water rents of 1883, they having been charged for barns on block 355 lot 11, \$5 70; also for barn on block 324 lot 19, \$6 40 no barns existing on said lots; also charged for building on lot 8 block 222, it being a vacant lot. According to the certificate of the Water Registrar attached to petition. Water register to be notified.

The President having called for the ayes and nays on all of the above resolutions, the reports of the committee were received and the resolutions were adopted unanimously.

#### MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS:

By Mr McGill:

Resolved That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of George H Farrier, County Collector, for the sum of ten thousand

dollars said amount to be applied on account of State taxes for the year 1882.

By Mr McGill:

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of that officer as follows, to be deposited in the Hudson County National Bank to the credit of interest account for July, 1883:

On general account.....	\$35,902 00
On general account.....	18 000 00
On general account to pay interest on assessment bonds ...	45,180 00
On assessment account .....	16,000 00
On water account .....	57,315 00

By Mr McGill:

Resolved, That warrants be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of that officer as follows, to transfer said amounts from water account to general account to return part of loan:

On water account.....	\$ 0,000 00
On water account .....	16,000 00

The President having called for the ayes and nays on all of the above resolutions, they were adopted unanimously.

By Mr Smith, and carried:

Moved, that when this Board adjourns, it be to meet on Tuesday, July 31, 1883, at half-past seven o'clock P M.

On motion the Board adjourned.

JOHN T. VAN CLEEVE, Clerk,





Regular adjourned meeting of the Board of Finance and Taxation, held in the City Hall, Tuesday, July 3d, 1883, at 7:30 o'clock p. m.

Present—All the members.

On motion the reading of the minutes of the last regular meeting was dispensed with and they were approved as written.

#### PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS.

Petition of C. H. Clevenger for rebate on assessment.

Received and referred to the Corporation Counsel.

Petition of Mary B. Shrope for compromise of assessment.

Received and referred to the Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments.

Petition of Thomas Edmondson for return of money paid in interest on redemption.

Received and referred to the Corporation Counsel.

#### PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS.

Claim of Lansing Zabriskie of \$48 90 for taxed costs.

Received and referred to the Committee on Finance and Claims.

#### OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

The City Comptroller reported the following total receipts of the City Treasury, June 28th to July 3d, 1883, both days included, at \$51,-691.96.

The City Treasurer reported the following total balance credited to all the accounts in the city depositories at the close of business this day at \$173,135.73.

Both reports were received and ordered filed.

The following concurrent resolutions were received from the Board of Public Works and referred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions:

1. Pay-roll of the Committee on Extensions and Distributions for the month of June, 1883, amounting to \$365.07.
2. Pay-roll of the Committee on Pumping and Reservoirs for the month of June, 1883, amounting to \$530.74.
3. Authorizing the purchase of a plot of ground on Linden avenue at a cost not to exceed \$5,000 and authorizing plans and specifications to be drawn for the building of a new school house thereon.
4. Authorizing the committee to purchase and lay about 300 lineal feet of 6-inch water pipe in Vreeland street, from Bramhall avenue towards Union street.
5. Authorizing the purchase of a Fairbank platform scale for the purpose of weighing coal at high service.
6. Construction of a sewer in Palisade avenue from South to North street.
7. Rescinding the payment of the claim of Wood and Menagh of \$358 91.
8. Ordering paid certain claims.

On motion the Board took a recess of twenty minutes.

On re-assembling all the members were present.

#### REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Finance and Claims reported on the official bond of Franklin D. Crouse as constable, recommending that the same be received, spread at large on the bond book and filed.

The same committee reported on resolution from the Board of Public Works, recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the City Comptroller be and he is hereby instructed to transfer the amounts remaining to the credit of the months of August, September and October, 1883, to the account of the month of June, 1883, for reconstruction of streets and sewers, Board of Public Works, fiscal years of 1882 and '83.

The President having called for the yeas and nays on the above resolution, the reports of the committee were received and the resolution and recommendation adopted unanimously.

The Committee on Concurrent Resolutions, reported on concurrent resolutions from the Board of Public Works recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the following resolution

adopted by the Board of Public Works June 11, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That by and with the concurrence of the Board of Finance and Taxation, Patrick McLaughlin be and is hereby appointed helper to tapper, at a salary of \$65 per month, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the pay-roll resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works July 2, 1883, as presented by the Committee on Extensions and Distributions for the month of June, 1883, amounting to \$365 07, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the pay-roll resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works July 2, 1883, as presented by the Committee on Pumping and Reservoir for reservoir No. 2, for the month of June, 1883, amounting to \$530 74, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works June 25, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That \$4 50, \$2 40 and \$4 be paid to the Jersey City Herald: \$4 25, \$3 65, \$4 25 to N. J. Freie Presse, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works June 25, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That \$168 50 be paid to Herman Neuman, \$34 to James P. Wheeler, \$19 20 to Claus Prigge, \$24 to Henry C. Hutton, \$157 50 to Wood & Menagh, \$221 to John Gardner, \$54 34 to Tebbenhoff & Bros, \$13 to John Cogan, \$124 31 to Philip E. Martin, \$128 98 to Wood & Menagh, \$9 15 to Charles H. Scott, \$17 05 to Wm. H. Ewald & Bros, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works June 11, 1883 to wit:

Resolved, That \$65 be paid to Patrick McLaughlin for one month's service as tapper's helper for month ending May 31, 1883, be and is hereby non-concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation, for the reason that he was not legally appointed for said month to said office.

—All the above resolutions were adopted unanimously, the yeas and nays having been called on each resolution.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works June 4, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That \$9 03 be paid to Francis Whelan as clerk in water department from March 27 to April 1st, 1883; \$70 as clerk in water department for April, 1883; \$70 as clerk in water department for May, 1883, be and is hereby non-concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation for the reason that said Francis Whelan was never appointed by the Board of Public Works to said office.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works June 4, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That the sum of \$63 95 be paid to William Howe for services on pipe book five days in the months of March and April at \$55 per month be and is hereby non-concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation, for the reason that said Board of Public Works have never legally appointed William Howe to said office.

The President having called for the yeas and nays on each of the above resolutions the reports of the committee were received and the resolutions adopted by the following vote:

Ayes—President Beach, Messrs. Smith and Tilden.

Nays—Messrs McGill and Witch.

The same committee reported on resolution from the Board of Public Works rescinding resolution ordering paid the claim of \$358 91, recommending that the same be received and ordered filed.

The Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments reported on petitions recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

On petition John J. Stefke:



Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby authorized to change the records in the tax book for the Sixth district for the year 1882, so that the assessment levied against John J. Siefke as follows :

Block 502, pt 23, valuation \$2,200, block 502, pt 23, valuation \$400, block 502, pt 30 and 31, valuation \$400, shall read as follows :

Block 502, its pt 23, 29, 30 and 31, valuation \$3,200, it being a duplicate assessment according to the certificate of the Assessor of the Sixth district attached to the petition.

On petition of Melissa Clark :

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby requested to receive from Melissa Clark the face value of the following assessment without interest on lots 10, 11 and 12, in block 502.

Main Sewer in Section "A," Second

Dainage District, Conf 1574..... \$329 84  
Provided all other taxes and assessments are paid in full with interest and costs if any, and provided further that said payments are made within sixty days from the date of the passage of this resolution, otherwise the resolution to be null et void and of effect.

On petition of James Flemming:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of James Flemming for the sum of \$18 15 to return said amount, it having been paid in error on water rents for the year 1871, on lot 8 C, block 594, Newark avenue, according to the certificate of the Water Registrar attached to the petition.

On petition of James Clark:

Resolved, That the petition of James Clark for a compromise of taxes on lot 21, block 8, be not granted, for the reason that this Board does not believe it to be for the best interest of Jersey City to compromise taxes.

The President having called for the ayes and

nays on each of the above resolutions, the reports of the committee were received and the resolutions were adopted unanimously.

#### MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS:

By Mr McGill:

Resolved That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of George H Farrier, County Collector, for the sum of ten thousand dollars to be applied on account of County taxes for 1882-83.

By Mr. Smith:

Whereas, The estate of L. H. Hopkins for good and sufficient reasons has been unable to comply with the provisions of a certain resolution adopted February 28th, 1883, authorizing the settlement of certain assessments without interest, and on said account the resolution having become null et void and of no effect; therefore,

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby authorized to receive from the estate of L. H. Hopkins the face value of the following assessments without any interest, to wit:

Main sewer in Section A, Second Drainage District..... \$37 60  
Main sewer in Section B, Second Drainage District..... 256 62  
Lateral sewer in Duncan avenue, from

Be ger avenue west..... 270 08

Provided all other assessments and taxes are paid in full with interest and costs, if any, and provided further, said payments are made within sixty days from the date of the passage of this resolution, otherwise the resolution to be null et void and of no effect whatever.

The President having called for the ayes and nays on each of the above resolutions, they were adopted unanimously.

On motion the Board adjourned.

JOHN T. VAN CLEEF, Clerk.





Regular meeting of the Board of Finance and Taxation, held in the City Hall, Wednesday, July 11, 1883, at 7:30 o'clock p. m.

Present—All the members.

On motion the reading of the minutes of the last regular meeting was dispensed with and they were approved as written.

#### PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS.

Petition of James A. Hovey for difference between old and new assessment.

Received and referred to the Corporation Counsel.

Petition of James McAdam for compromise of assessments.

Petition of P. Harrington for compromise of assessments.

Petition of August Bastedt requesting a deed of assignment on the payment of arrears of taxes on property assessed to John Shannon.

All the above petitions were received and referred to the Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments.

#### PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS.

Claim of Thomas Earle, City Treasurer, of \$620 for incidental expenses.

Claim of John T. Van Cleef of \$35 50 for disbursements as clerk.

Claim of Allan L. McDermott of \$95 23 for disbursements as Corporation Attorney.

Claim of Allan L. McDermott of \$49 05 for disbursements as Corporation Attorney.

Claim of James B. Vreedenburgh of \$39 84, being taxed costs in the suit of the Red Star Steamship Company vs. The Mayor and Aldermen of Jersey City.

Claim of John J. Griffith of \$16 35 for printing law case of the Provident Institution for Savings vs. The Mayor and Aldermen of Jersey City.

All the above claims were received and referred to the Committee on Finance and Claims.

Claim of John W. Harrison of \$31 62 for stationery and postage stamps.

Claim of Joseph Mackey of \$12 for Mackey's A. B. C. Guide from May 28, 1881, to May 28, 1883.

Both the above claims were received and referred to the Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies.

#### OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

Official bond of William Allen as auctioneer, in the sum of \$2,500, with Frederick Payne and Samuel F. Obsteron as sureties.

Received and referred to the Committee on Finance and Claims.

The City Comptroller reported the following total receipts of the City Treasury, July 5th to July 11th, 1883, both days included, at \$33,287 97.

The City Treasurer reported the following total balance credited to all the accounts in the city depositories at the close of business this day at \$169 035 28.

Both reports were received and ordered filed.

The following concurrent resolutions were received from the Board of Public Works and referred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions:

1. Pay-roll of the Committee on Pumping and Reservoirs for the month of June, 1883, amounting to \$1,960.08.

2. Instructing the Water Assessor to report business houses using large quantities of Pasatic water charged under building rates in order that meters may be put in.

3. Ordering paid certain claims.

On motion the Board took a recess.

The Board re-assembled, all the members present.

#### REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Finance and Claims reported on resolution from the Board of Aldermen requesting an extra appropriation for outdoor poor, recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That this Board hereby appropriate a further sum of \$500 in addition to appropriations heretofore made for the further relief

of the poor in accordance with the provisions of an act entitled "An act to provide for the further relief of the poor in cities of the first-class, approved February 20, 1883," and that said amount be placed in the tax levy.

The same committee reported on claims of Thomas Earle and John T. Van Cleef, recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

On claim of Thomas Earle:

Resolved, That the sum of \$620 be paid to Thomas Earle, City Treasurer, for incidentals.

On claim of John T. Van Cleef:

Resolved, That the sum of \$35 50 be paid to John T. Van Cleef, Clerk of the Board of Finance and Taxation, for disbursements.

The same committee reported on the official bond of William Allen as Auctioneer, recommending that the same be received, spread at large on the bond book and filed.

The President having called for the ayes and nays on each of the above resolutions the reports of the committee were received and the resolutions were adopted unanimously.

The Committee on Concurrent Resolutions, reported on concurrent resolutions from the Board of Public Works recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works July 2, 1883, be wit:

Resolved, That \$44 be paid to Joseph S. Martinet for labor and carpenter work be and is hereby non-concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation for the reason that the prices charged are too high and even at the rate charged the total amount should be \$11 50 instead of \$44.

Resolved, That the pay-roll resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works July 9, 1883, as presented by the Committee on Pumping and Reservoirs for the month of June, 1883, amounting to \$1,960.08 be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works July 2, 1883, be wit:

Resolved, That \$20 be paid to the Evening Journal, \$10 50 to John McMenamin, \$95 20 to Thomas Goddard, \$20 93 to Common Sense Metallic Packing Mfg. Co. \$45 to Spielman & Brush, \$33 38 to Wm. M. Hogan be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

The President having called for the ayes and nays on each of the above resolutions the reports of the committee were received and the resolutions adopted unanimously.

The Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments reported on petition of Mary B. Shrope for compromise of assessments recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby requested to receive from Mary B. Shrope, or her representatives, the face value of the following assessments on lot 19, block 280, without interest, to wit:

Main sewer, Section "A," Second Drainage District, confirmed February 26th, 1874.....	\$48 56
Main sewer, Section "B," Second Drainage District, confirmed March 10th, 1874.....	329 48
Lateral sewer in Fairview avenue, confirmed February 23th, 1874.....	1,103 84
Improvement Fairview, from MonClole to 1000 feet west of Bergen, confirmed January 23d, 1873.....	117 22
Grading &c., Bergen ave., from N. & N. Y. R., to N. J. R., conf'd March 17, 1871.....	\$4 88

Provided all other taxes and assessments due on said property are paid in full with interest and costs if any, and provided said payments are made within sixty days from the date of the passage of this resolution, otherwise the resolution to be null and void of effect.

The President having called for the ayes and nays on the above resolution, the report of the committee was received and the resolution adopted unanimously.



## MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS:

By Mr. Smith:

Resolved, That the resolution adopted by this Board July 2d, 1883, compromising an assessment for main sewer, Section "A," Second Drainage District, for Melissa Clark, on lots 10, 11 and 12, in block 562, by throwing off interest, be and the same is hereby rescinded and made null et void and of no effect.

By Mr. Smith:

Resolved, That when this Board adjourns it be to meet Friday, July 13th, 1883, at 4 o'clock p. m.

The President having called for the ayes and nays on each of the above resolutions, they were adopted unanimously.

On motion the Board adjourned.

JOHN T. VAN CLEEF, Clerk.





Regular adjourned meeting of the Board of  
Finance and Taxation, held in the City Hall,  
Friday, July 13th, 1883, at 4 o'clock P. M.  
Present—All the members.

There being no business to transact, the  
Board adjourned.  
JOHN T. VAN CLEEF, Clerk.



Regular meeting of the Board of Finance and Taxation, held in the City Hall, Wednesday, July 18th, 1883, at 7 30 o'clock P. M.

Present—President Beach, Messrs. McGill, Smith and Tilden.

Absent—Mr. Witsch.

On motion the reading of the minutes of the last regular meeting was dispensed with and they were approved as written.

#### PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS.

Petitions of Jacob Diehl and Emory M. E. Church for compromise of assessments.

Both received and referred to Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments.

#### PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS.

Claim of the New Jersey Telephone Company of \$17 40 for rent of instrument, from July 1st to October 1st, 1883, and tollage.

Claim of The Argus of \$16 for printing manuals, pages 24 to 31, inclusive.

Both received and referred to the Committee on Printing Stationery and Supplies.

#### OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

Requisitions were received from City Comptroller and Corporation Counsel for stationery, both of which were referred to the Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies with power.

The City Comptroller reported the following total receipts of the City Treasury July 12th to 18th, both days included, at \$42 954 06.

The City Treasurer reported the following total balance credited to all the accounts in the city depositories at the close of business this day at \$196,714 84.

Both reports were received and ordered filed.

#### OPINION OF THE CORPORATION COUNSEL.

Jersey City, July 11th, 1883.

To the Honorable the Board of Finance and Taxation of Jersey City:

Gentlemen—The petition of Thomas Edmondson to have certain moneys refunded to him which he paid to the treasurer, June 14th, 1883, has been referred to me for my opinion. The difficulty in this case is as the treasurer informs me that these moneys have all been paid into the sinking fund of 1876 and even if the intention of the petitioner was correct as to the application of the general act in question to Jersey City, in view of the express provisions of our charter appropriating these moneys to the Sinking fund, the application is now too late. I should hesitate to advise Jersey City to depart from the custom of demanding the old rate of interest until some court had decided that this general law was intended as a repealer of our City Charter on this subject.

Respectfully submitted,

LEON ABBETT, Corporation Counsel.

The opinion was received and ordered filed. Resolution from the Board of Police Commissioners requesting transfer of \$400 from the Committee on Hospitals and Dispensaries, month of November, to the account of the same committee for the month of July.

Received and referred to the Committee on Finance and Claims.

The following concurrent resolutions were received from the Board of Public Works and referred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions:

1. Awarding contract to Willard Richards for 7,500 gross tons of anthracite coal at \$4 69 per gross ton.

2. Authorizing Edward Corley to act as Engineer in charge at High Service, and fixing his salary at \$87 per month.

3. Ordering paid certain claims.

On motion the Board took a recess.

The Board reassembled, the same members present.

#### REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Finance and Claims reported on resolution from the Board of Police Commissioners requesting transfer recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the City Comptroller be and is hereby instructed to transfer the sum of \$400 from the account of the Committee on Hospitals and Dispensaries for the month of November, to the account of the same committee, month of July. Board of Police Commissioners fiscal years 1882 and '83.

The President having called for the yeas and nays on the above resolution the report of the committee was received and the resolution adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—President Beach, Messrs McGill, Smith and Tilden.

Absent—Mr Witsch.

The Committee on Concurrent Resolutions reported on concurrent resolutions from the Board of Public Works recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works, July 16, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That by and with the concurrence of the Board of Finance and Taxation the contract for furnishing and delivering about 7500 gross tons of Lehigh Valley Coal Company's anthracite coal from Packer No. 4 Colliery, at Belleville and High Service pumping station be and is hereby awarded to Willard Richard at the price named in his bid, viz., four dollars and sixty-nine cents (\$4 69) per gross ton of 2,240 lbs., that being the lowest bid received, and that the Corporation Attorney be and is hereby requested to prepare and have executed the proper contract for the same be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

The President having called for the yeas and nays on the above resolution the report of the Committee was received and the resolution adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—President Beach, Messrs. McGill, Smith and Tilden.

Absent—Mr. Witsch.

#### MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

By Mr. McGill:

Resolved, That the City Comptroller be and he is hereby directed to transfer on his books the charge of two thousand dollars (\$2,000) for judgment claim of Edward Pettit, executor of John S. Hill, deceased, versus The Mayor and Aldermen of Jersey City, made against the account of claims, legal expenses, &c., of this Board, present fiscal year, to corporation account, and that this Board borrow the money to pay said judgment by temporary loan, and that said amount and all interest thereon shall be placed in the next tax levy.

By Mr. McGill:

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of that officer as follows, to be deposited in the Hudson County National Bank to the credit of August, 1883, interest account:

On General account.....	\$20,815 30
On General account.....	20,000 00
On Water account.....	6,500 00

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn upon the City Treasurer in favor of that officer for the sum of, thirty-five thousand dollars, to transfer that amount from Water account to General account to return part of loan.

By Mr McGill:

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of that officer for the sum of five hundred and twenty-five dollars to transfer that amount from general account to July, 1883, interest account.

The President having called for the yeas and nays on each of the above resolutions they were adopted by the following vote:

Yeas, President Beach, Messrs McGill, Smith and Tilden.

Absent, Mr Witsch.

By Mr Smith, and carried:

Moved, that when this Board adjourns it will adjourn to meet Thursday, July 19, 1883, at 5 o'clock P. M.

On motion the Board adjourned.

JOHN T. VAN CLEEF, Clerk.





Regular adjourned meeting of the Board of Finance and Taxation held in the City Hall, Thursday, July 16th, 1883, at 8 o'clock p. m.

Present—President Beach, Messrs. McGill, Smith and Tilden.

Absent—Mr. Witsch.

#### REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Concurrent Resolutions reported on concurrent resolutions from the Board of Public Works recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works Dec. 18, 1882, to wit:

Resolved, That by and with the concurrence of the Board of Finance and Taxation the Committee on Streets and Sewers be and is hereby authorized to advertise for proposals for repaving Mercer street from the westerly side of Varick street to the easterly side of Monmouth street according to plans and specifications, be and is hereby non-concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation for the reason that the appropriation is exhausted.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works Feb. 12th, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That the sum of \$35 be paid to J V Maxwell & Co., for feed, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation, provided a reduction of \$20 is agreed to by said J. V. Maxwell and \$32 80 is accepted in full settlement for said bill.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works July 9, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That \$20 be paid to the Evening Journal Association; \$17 50 to the Evening Journal Association; \$44 95 to Washburne Bros; \$30 53 to F. A. Smith; \$10 55 to George F. Taylor; \$48 to Charles Thiele; \$24 to N J Frele Presse; \$75 to Evening Journal Association; \$45 to Melman & Brush; \$141 50 to E. H. McFarland; \$16 to J. J. Corbett; \$4 to R. H. McFarland, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

The President having called for the ayes and nays on each of the above resolutions, the report of the committee was received and the resolution adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—President Beach, Messrs. McGill, Smith and Tilden.

Absent—Mr. Witsch

by Mr. Smith:

Moved, That we do now go into the Committee of the Whole for the consideration of appropriations necessary for the various departments of the city government for the next fiscal year.

After duly considering the estimates of appropriations received from the various departments, showing how much would be needed by them for the conduct of their business for the next fiscal year the committee arose and made the following report to the Board:

Hon Board of Finance and Taxation—

Gentlemen: Your Committee of the Whole, to whom was referred the estimates and recommendations from all the Boards of Jersey City, including the appropriations from this Board, most respectfully report and recommend that the amount proper and necessary to be raised by tax in Jersey City during the present current year for the fiscal year beginning December 1st, 1883, and ending November 30th, 1884, be fixed at one million five hundred and fifty-eight thousand one hundred and forty-two dollars and fifty-nine cents (\$1,558,142 59), as the appropriation and limit of expenditure for the purposes of the respective Boards (except where by law it may be otherwise provided). The above amount together with the money to be paid to Jersey City by the State for school purposes together with the amount to be paid to Jersey City by Railroad Companies, under the act approved April 2d, 1873, entitled "an act to establish just rules for the taxation of Railroad corporations and to induce their acceptance and uniform adoption," your Committee recommend distributed among the several Boards in the following manner as the limit of expenditure of said Boards for the purpose and in the manner hereinafter men-

tioned, viz.: Appropriation fixed as the limit of expenditure of each month separately of the ensuing year to be expended by the Board of Public Works as follows:

Streets and Sewers, each month.....	\$2,916 66
Reconstruction of streets and sewers, each month.....	2,033 33
Public Grounds and Buildings, each month.....	83 33
Salaries, each month.....	416 66
Printing and Stationery, each month.....	100 00
Engineering Bureau, each month.....	1,000 00

And in addition to above monthly appropriations the following sums in gross:

Extension and Repairs to Whiton street sewer.....	\$1,000 00
Making a total amount for said Board of Public Works during said ensuing fiscal year eighty thousand one hundred and ninety-nine dollars and seventy-six cents (\$80,199 76).	

Appropriation fixed as the limit of expenditure for each month separately of the ensuing fiscal year, to be expended by the Board of Aldermen as follows:

For relief of outdoor poor, each month.....	\$666 66
For printing stationery and supplies, each month.....	208 33
For rent of armories and supplies, each month.....	291 66

Salaries (City Clerk, Marshal and Overseer of Poor) each month.....	416 66
Public grounds and buildings each month.....	208 33

And in addition to the above monthly appropriations the following sums in gross:

Decoration Day.....	\$200 00
Elections.....	7,000 00
District Courts.....	9,250 00
Numbering of houses in Greenville district for free postal delivery.....	200 00

Sixty glass ballot boxes as required by law.....	600 00
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Making the total amount for said Board of Aldermen during the said ensuing fiscal year thirty-eight thousand seven hundred and forty-nine dollars and sixty-eight cents (\$38,749 68.)

Appropriation fixed as the limit of expenditure for each month separately for the ensuing fiscal year, to be expended by the Board of Police Commissioners as follows:

For all salaries paid by the Board for any purpose whatsoever, each month.....	\$11,083 33
For station houses and prisons, each month.....	500 00
For lamps and lights, each month.....	6,083 33
For hospitals and dispensaries, each month.....	838 33

And in addition to the above monthly appropriations the following sums in gross:

For Police Justices.....	\$5,000 00
For new school.....	2,000 00

Making the total amount for said Board of Police Commissioners during the said ensuing fiscal year two hundred and twenty-eight thousand nine hundred and ninety-nine dollars and eighty-eight cents (\$228,999 88).

Appropriation fixed as the limit of expenditure for each month separately of the ensuing fiscal year to be expended by the Board of Fire Commissioners as follows:

For Salaries each month.....	\$5,416 66
For claims.....	2,000 00

And in addition to the above monthly appropriations the following sum in gross,

For reconstruction of Fire Alarm Telegraph.....	\$1,000 00
Making the total amount for said Board of Fire Commissioners during the said ensuing fiscal year eighty-nine thousand nine hundred and ninety-nine dollars and ninety-two cents (\$89,999 92).	

Appropriation as fixed as the limit of expenditure for each month separately of the ensuing fiscal year to be expended by the Board of Directors of Education as follows:

For Teachers Salaries and Fuel each month.....	\$15,101 66
For salaries janitors and clerk each month.....	1,208 33
For books stationery and music each month.....	333 34
For furniture and repairs each month.....	504 00
For printing and blanks.....	50 00
For rentals.....	83 33
For janitors supplies.....	83 33



And in addition to the above monthly appropriations the following sums in gross for the said ensuing year, viz:

Census.....	\$1,500
For annual report.....	300
For free library from December 1st 1883 to May 1st, 1884.....	400
For free library from May 1st 1884 to November 30th 1884.....	600
Making the total amount for said Board of Directors of Education during the said ensuing fiscal year two hundred and eleven thousand two hundred and twenty dollars and eight cents (\$211,220 08).	

Appropriation fixed as the limit of expenditure for each month separately for the ensuing fiscal year to be expended by the Board of Finance and Taxation as follows:

For salaries each month.....	\$4,166 66
For Printing, Stationery and Supplies each month.....	416 66

And in addition to the above monthly appropriations the following sums in gross for the said ensuing fiscal year:

For claims, legal expenses and judgments.....	\$10,000 00
For Contingent fund.....	10,000 00
For interest on and payment of city bonds.....	1,000,000 00
For sinking funds.....	30,000 00
For deficiency small pox patients, act March 22, 1882.....	1,200 00
For deficiency salaries of janitors, act March 23, 1882.....	3,500 00
For deficiency Out Door Poor, act Feb. 20, 1883.....	5,000 00
For deficiency in salaries of Teachers caused by failure of City Bank act of March 23, 1883.....	10,493 74
To pay Judgment Claim of Edward Pettit Executor of John S. Hill deceased.....	2,000 00
Making the total amount for said Board of Finance and Taxation during the said ensuing fiscal year one million, one hundred and twenty-seven thousand one hundred and ninety-three dollars and fifty-eight cents (\$1,127,193 58.)	

Recapitulation of the aggregate of yearly expenditures:	
Board of Public Works.....	\$80,199 76
Board of Aldermen.....	33,749 68
Board of Police Commissioners.....	223,999 88
Board of Fire Commissioners.....	89,99 92
Board of Directors of Education.....	211,220 08
Board of Finance and Taxation.....	1,127,193 58

Total.....	\$1,776,362 90
Less amount to be received from the State for Schools....	\$181,230 31
Less amount to be received from Railroads under act April 2, 1873.....	37,000 00
	218,230 31

Total required..... \$1,555,132 59

And your committee would respectfully recommend the adoption of the following resolution.

Resolved. That the report and recommendation of the committee of the whole as to the appropriations to the several Boards and the amount proper and necessary to be raised by tax in Jersey City during the current year for the purposes of the several Boards of the City Government for the fiscal year beginning December 1st, 1883 and ending November 30th, 1884 be and the same are hereby received and adopted and in conformity therewith the Board of Finance and Taxation having duly considered the estimates and recommendations of the several Boards does hereby fix the amount to be raised by tax in Jersey City during the present year for the purposes of the said Boards for the fiscal year beginning December 1st 1883 and ending November 30th, 1884 both days included at the sum of one million five hundred and fifty eight thousand one hundred and forty two dollars and fifty nine cents, \$1,558,142 59 and that sum together with the amount to be paid by the State to Jersey City for schools and together with the amount to be paid to Jersey City by railroad companies under the act approved April 2, 1873, en-

titled "An act to establish just rules for the taxation of Railroad Corporation and to induce their acceptance and uniform adoption" is hereby distributed among the several Boards in the amounts as recommended by the said committee of the whole and the amounts thus fixed shall be the appropriations and limit of expenditures for the said purposes during said fiscal year except where by law otherwise provided as follows, viz:

Appropriations fixed as the limit of expenditure for each month separately of the ensuing year to be expended by the Board of Public Works as follows:

Streets and sewers, each month.....	\$2,916 66
Reconstruction of streets and sewers each month.....	2,083 33
Public Grounds and Buildings each month.....	83 33
Salaries each month.....	416 66
Printing and stationery each month.....	100 00
Engineering Bureau each month.....	1,000 00

And in addition to the above monthly appropriations the following sums in gross, viz: For extension and repairs of Whiton Street sewer \$1,000, making the total amount for said Board of Public Works during said ensuing fiscal year, eighty thousand one hundred and ninety-nine dollars and seventy-six cents, (\$80,199 76).

Appropriations fixed as the limit of expenditure for each month separately of the ensuing fiscal year to be expended by the Board of Aldermen, viz:

For relief of out door poor each month.....	\$666 66
For Printing, stationery and supplies each month.....	208 33
For rent of armories and supplies each month.....	291 66
For salaries (City Clerk, Marshal and Overseer of Poor) each month.....	416 66
For Public Grounds and Buildings each month.....	208 33

And in addition to the above monthly appropriations the following sums in gross, viz:

Decoration Day.....	200 00
Elections.....	7,006 00
District Courts.....	9,250 00
Numbering of houses in Greenville district for free postal delivery.....	200 00
80 glass ballot boxes as required by law.....	600 00

Making a total amount for said Board of Aldermen during the said ensuing fiscal year, thirty-eight thousand seven hundred and forty-nine dollars and sixty-eight cents (\$37,749 68).

Appropriation fixed as the limit of expenditure of each month separately of the ensuing year to be expended by the Board of Police Commissioners as follows:

For all salaries paid by the Board for any purpose whatsoever each month.....	\$11,083 33
For station houses and prisons each month.....	500 00
For lamps and lights each month.....	6,483 33
For hospitals and dispensaries for each month.....	833 33

And in addition to the above monthly appropriations the following sums in gross:

For Police Justices.....	5,000 00
For new scow.....	2,000 00

Making the total amount for said Board of Police Commissioners during the said ensuing fiscal year two hundred and twenty-eight thousand nine hundred and ninety-nine dollars and eighty-eight cents (\$23,990 88).

Appropriations fixed as the limit of expenditure of each month separately of the ensuing fiscal year to be expended by the Board of Fire Commissioners as follows:

For salaries each month.....	\$5,416 66
For claims each month.....	2,000 00

And in addition to the above monthly appropriations the following sums in gross, viz:

For reconstruction of fire alarm telegraph.....	\$1,000 00
Making the total amount for said Board of Fire Commissioners during said ensuing fiscal year eighty nine thousand nine hundred and ninety-nine dollars and ninety-two cents (\$89,999 92).	

Appropriation fixed as the limit of expenditure for each month separately of the ensuing fiscal year to be expended by the Board of Directors of Education as follows:







For teachers salaries and fuel each month.....\$15,101 00  
 For salaries janitors and clerk each month..... 1,208 33  
 For books, stationery and music each month..... 333 33  
 For furniture and repairs each month.. 500 00  
 For printing and blanks each month.. 58 83  
 For rentals each month..... 83 33  
 For janitors' supplies each month..... 83 33  
 And in addition to the above monthly appropriations the following sums in gross:  
 For census..... \$1,500 00  
 For annual report..... 300 00  
 For free library from December 1, 1883, to May 1, 1884.....\$400 00  
 For free library from May 1, 1884, to November 30, 1884..... 600 00

1,000 00

Making the total amount for said Board of Directors of Education during the said ensuing fiscal year two hundred and eleven thousand two hundred and twenty dollars and eight cents (\$211 220 08).

Appropriations fixed as the limit of expenditure for each month separately of the ensuing fiscal year to be expended by the Board of Finance and Taxation as follows:

For salaries each month.....\$4,166 66  
 For printing stationery and supplies... 416 66  
 And in addition to the above monthly appropriations the following sums in gross:  
 For claims legal expenses and judgments.....\$ 10,000 00  
 For contingent fund..... 10,000 00  
 For interest on and payment of city bonds..... 1,000,000 00  
 Sinking funds..... 30,000 00

For deficiency small pox patients act March 23, 1882..... 1,200 00  
 For deficiency Janitors salaries March 23, 1883..... 3,500 00  
 For deficiency out door poor act Feb. 20, 1883..... 5,000 00  
 For deficiency salaries of teachers caused by failure of city bank, act March 23, 1883..... 10,493 74  
 To pay judgment of Edw Peilt Executioner of John S Hill Dec'd.... 2,000 00  
 Making the total amount for said Board of Finance and Taxation during the said ensuing fiscal year one million one hundred and twenty seven thousand one hundred and ninety three dollars and fifty eight cents, \$1, 27,193 58.  
 The President having called for the ayes and nays on the above resolution, the report of the committee was received and the resolution adopted by the following vote:  
 Yeas—President; Beach, Messrs. McGill, Smith and Tilden.  
 Absent—Mr. Witsch.

#### MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

By Mr. Smith:  
 Resolved, That when this Board adjourns it will adjourn to meet Tuesday, July 24, 1883, at 7.30 p. m.

The President having called for the ayes and nays on the above resolution it was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—President Beach, Messrs. McGill, Smith and Tilden,  
 Absent—Mr. Witsch.

On motion the Board adjourned.

JOHN T. VAN CLEEF, Clerk.



Regular adjourned meeting of the Board of Finance and Taxation, held in the City Hall Tuesday, July 24th, 1883, at 7:30 o'clock p.m.  
Present—President Beach, Messrs. McGill, Smith and Tilden.  
Absent—Mr. Witsch.

#### PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS.

Petition of Philemon Hommel for rebate on assessment.  
Received and referred to Corporation Counsel.

Petition of Mary E. Denton for compromise of assessments.  
Received and referred to the Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments.

#### OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

Itemized requisition from the City Collector for stationery received and referred to the Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies with power.

The City Comptroller reported the following receipts of the City Treasury July 19th to 24th, 1883, both days included, at \$167,821 08.

The Treasurer reported the following total balance credited to all the accounts in the city depositories at the close of business this day at \$364,533 64.

Both reports were received and ordered filed.

On motion the Board took a recess.

On reassembling the same members were present.

#### REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Finance and Claims reported on petition of C. H. Clevenger for rebate on assessment, recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of C. H. Clevenger for the sum of \$128 18, being the difference between the old and new assessment for sewer in Pallade avenue between South and Van Vorst streets, and sewer in Van Vorst street between Pallade avenue and New York avenue, on lot 21, block 777, warrant to be used only to pay taxes, assessments or water rents.

The President having called for the ayes and nays on the above resolution the report of the Committee was received and the resolution adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—President Beach, Messrs McGill, Smith and Tilden.

Absent—Mr. Witsch.

The Committee on Concurrent Resolutions reported on Concurrent Resolution from the Board of Public Works recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works, July 16, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That \$108 33 be paid to Warner & Carscallen: \$45 to Joseph Seals: \$6 30 to Frederick Boos, \$20, \$40, \$2 to The Argus. \$4 to Patrick Sheery, \$43 07 to W. F. St George, \$51 61 to Warner & Carscallen, \$17 50 to Peoples Gas Light Co., \$52 to Martin Morresey, \$62 50 to John Knoop, \$156 to Phillip E. Martin, \$162 to Wood & Menahay, \$3 50, \$3 50 to W. H. Boyd, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

The President having called for the ayes and nays on the above resolution the report of the Committee was received and the resolution adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—President Beach, Messrs McGill, Smith and Tilden.

Absent—Mr. Witsch.

The Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments reported recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

On petition of James McAdam.

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby requested to receive from James McAdam or his representatives, the face value of the following assessment on lot 3, block 856, without interest.

Improvement of Golden now Hutton street from Bergen to Bergenwood ave  
confirmation approved Dec 31, 1872. \$79 08

Provided all other assessments and taxes due on said property are paid in full with interest and costs if any and provided further that said payments are made within sixty days from the date of the passage of this resolution otherwise the resolution to be null et void and of no effect.

On petition of P Harrington

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby requested to receive from P Harrington or his representatives the face value of the following assessment on lots 22 & 23 blk 227 without interest sewer in Orchard st Crawford to Montgomery sts

Confirmation approved January 7th

1875.....\$427 90

Provided all other assessments and taxes due on said property are paid in full with interest and costs if any and provided said payments are made within sixty days from the date of the passage of this resolution otherwise the resolution to be null et void and of no effect.

On petition of Jacob Diehl

Resolved, That the city collector be and he is hereby requested to receive from Jacob Diehl or his representatives the face value of the following assessments without interest main sewer in Newark ave from Five Corners to Hackensack river.

On lot 8 blk 173 confirmation April 23d

1874.....\$19 99

Opening of James street on lot 8 blk 173

confirmation approved Aug. 19th, 1870.....\$60 27

Provided all other assessments and taxes due on said property are paid in full with interest and costs if any and provided further that said payments are made within sixty days from the date of the passage of this resolution otherwise the resolution to be null et void and of no effect whatever.

On petition of August Bastard:

Resolved, That the petition of August Bastard requesting that upon the payment by him of all arrears for taxes on property assessed to John M Shannon known as lot 24, block 765, Sherman avenue, the city give him a deed of assignment for said property. Be and the same is hereby referred to the City Treasurer, he having the power and authority to act in the matter,

The same committee reported the salary list for the month of July, 1883, recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That warrants be drawn for the payment of salaries for the month of July, 1883, when due, viz:

Isaac W Tausig, Mayor, \$166 66, Thomas Earle, City Treasurer \$201, Samuel C Nelson, City Comptroller, \$200, James H Love, City Collector, \$200, Leon Abbott, Corporation Counsel, \$333 33, Elijah T Paxton, Corporation Attorney, \$150, John T Van Cleef, Clerk to Board of Finance and Taxation, \$100, Isaac Morrow J, Clerk to Treasurer, \$100, George R Hough, Clerk to Comptroller \$100, Andrew D Whyte, Assistant Collector, \$110, Clerks to Collector S. D Dickenson \$89 33, John T McKay \$70, Lewis E Smith \$70, William H Tuttle \$70 Charles Krebs \$70 Charles Freeman \$70, James E Connelly \$70 Patrick O'Neill, Messenger, \$40, William H Powell, Messenger, \$30, Clerks to City Clerk Thomas K Halstead \$75, N E Ferry \$75, R. L. Hudson \$66 66, printing minutes the Evening Journal \$208 34, The Argus \$2 83, cleaning rooms in City Hall, Ann Norton \$30, Elizabeth Lynch \$30.

The President having called for the ayes and nays on each of the above resolutions the reports of the committee were received and the resolutions adopted by the following vote:

Ayes, President Beach, Messrs McGill, Smith and Tilden.

Absent, Mr Witsch.

#### MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

By Mr McGill:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of George H Farrier, County Collector, for the sum of forty thousand dollars, to be applied on account of county taxes for the year 1882-83.





By Mr Smith:

Resolved, That when this Board adjourns it will adjourn to meet Wednesday, August 8, 1888, at 7:30 o'clock p m  
The President having called for the ayes and nays on each of the above resolutions they were adopted by the following vote:

Ayes, President Beach, Messrs McGill, Smith and Tilden

Absent, Mr Witsch.

On motion the Board adjourned.

JOHN G. VAN CLEEF, Clerk.



Regular meeting of the Board of Finance and Taxation held in the City Hall, Wednesday August 8, 1883, at half past seven o'clock, p. m.

Present—All the members.

On motion the reading of the minutes was dispensed with and they were approved as written

#### PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS.

Invitation from the Jersey City Schuetzen Corps, to attend the shooting and summer-nights festival, August 13th and 14th, 1883. Received, accepted and ordered filed.

Communication from the Taxpayers Association of Greenville, urging concurrence in the resolution from the Board of Public Works authorizing the improvement of Linden and Danforth avenues.

Communication from W. B. Williams, remonstrating against the said improvement as a property owner.

Both communications were received and referred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions.

Petition of St. Bridget's church for cancellation of taxes of 1873 to 1882 on property used by said corporation.

Received and referred to the Corporation Counsel.

Petitions from the Peoples' Insurance Company, Furey and other, Frank L. Clark, all for compromise of assessments.

Petition of B. O. Coles for return of money paid in error on water rents.

Petition of Ryan Jones to have money refunded paid on wrong property.

All the above petitions were received and referred to Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments.

Petition from William Froesser for payment for land taken in the widening of Newark avenue. Received and referred to the Corporation Counsel.

#### PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS.

Claim of The Argus of \$18 for printing manuals pages 32 to 39. Received and referred to the Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies.

Claim of J B Cleveland of \$47.60 for certified copies of leases and deeds. Received and referred to the Committee on Finance and Claims.

#### OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

From the Corporation Counsel on petition of Patrick Kiernan.

Jersey City, July 25, 1883.

To the Honorable Board of Finance and Taxation.

Gentlemen—The petition of Patrick Kiernan for the appointment of arbitrators to ascertain and pay damages for alleged injury to property belonging to him, by reason of water thrown upon his land by the construction of a ditch and drain, set forth in his petition dated March 8, 1883, has been referred to me. I have already advised the Board of Works in reference to this matter, and any action in the premises should be taken by that Board. The injury complained of did not arise from any act within your jurisdiction; I therefore advise that the petitioner seek redress from that Board.

Respectfully submitted,

LEON ABBETT.

On petition of Thomas O'Callaghan:

Jersey City, July 20, 1883.

Honorable Board of Finance and Taxation of Jersey City.

Gentlemen—The petition of Gilbert Collins, Esq., counsel for Dr. Thomas O'Callaghan, has been referred to me. He requests your Board to make some settlement with reference to the chaining of the street lines at Newark avenue opposite Palisade avenue, where the same encroaches on his property. I inclose you herewith a map furnished me by the Chief Engineer together with a statement of facts dated April 28, 1883, which shows that the encroachment does exist.

It shows that the city would merely have to take up the flag curb and a part of the pavement, and reset the same, the cost of which would not be great.

The mistake in the improvement of this street was by an employee of another Board.

The rectification of the mistake should be made by the same Board. Your Board has no duty to perform in the premises.

Respectfully submitted,

LEON ABBETT.

On petition of James Hetherington.

Jersey City, July 25, 1883.

Hon. Board of Finance and Taxation of Jersey City:

Gentlemen: The petition of James Hetherington, which was referred to your Board March 26, 1883, has been referred to me for my opinion.

Mr. Hetherington claims \$221.81 for feed furnished the Street Department. The certificate of the Clerk of the Board of Works, April 14, 1883, annexed to the petition, certifies that this sum is the aggregate of several claims for feed furnished in 1881; that the appropriation for the year is exhausted, leaving unpaid claims aggregating about \$3,500. The Clerk also states that "the Legislature of 1882 passed a bill allowing the Board of Finance to grant an additional appropriation for the liquidation of this debt, and our Board subsequently referred the claim to the Board of Finance."

The act referred to in the above statement is chapter 167 of the laws of 1882 (Laws 1882, p. 235). This act gives your Board the power to appropriate in any one year the sum of \$3,500 for the payment of indebtedness beyond the appropriation which shall have been incurred by reason of the breakage of sewers or other accidents to any public work. The bill referred to me does not seem to me to come within the scope of that act, and I would therefore suggest that the bill be returned to the Board of Public Works with a statement of the reasons therefor.

Respectfully submitted,

LEON ABBETT.

On petition of Wm. Boyle;

Jersey City, July 20th, 1883.

Hon. Board of Finance and Taxation—Gentlemen:

The claim of Thomas H. Kelly, Esq., attorney for Wm. Boyle for services as Inspector on Central avenue has been referred to me by your Board.

I cannot find from the papers presented to me and from the report of the Clerk of the Board of Public Works that the latter Board has ever acted upon this claim, and your Board cannot take action upon it until the Board of Public Works has acted in the premises. I return you herewith the claim presented by the attorney of Mr. Boyle, together with his communication to your Board and my letter to the Clerk of the Board of Public Works, with his reply thereto.

Respectfully submitted,

LEON ABBETT.

All the above opinions were received and ordered filed, and the recommendations contained therein ordered to be acted upon.

The City Treasurer reported \$222,878.04 as the total balance in the city depositories at close of business this day.

The City Comptroller reported \$53,214.41 as the total of receipts from July 25 to August 8, 1883, both days included.

Both reports were received, and ordered filed.

Resolution from the Board of Directors of Education requesting a transfer of \$100 from Books, Stationary and Music to Printing and Banks.

Resolution from the Board of Aldermen requesting a tabular statement of all bonds outstanding since 1870, with date of issue, par value, rate of interest when payable, principal when due, and the provisions made for their redemption; and further requesting to be informed regarding the sinking fund from the beginning of the fiscal year 1870 to date.

Both resolutions were received, and referred to the Committee on Finance and Claims.

Resolution from the Board of Aldermen requesting this Board to take into consideration the advisability of selling the ground and building known as the City Hall, in connection with the building of a new armory and the rebuilding of the Gregory street station-house.





Received, and referred to the Committee of the whole.

Requisition from the City Comptroller for postage stamps

Received and referred to the Committee on Printing, Stationary and supplies, with power.

The following resolutions were received from the Board of Public Works, and referred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions,

1. Pay-roll Committee on Extension and Distributions for July, 1883, amounting to \$1,123 94,

2. Pay roll Committee on Pumping and Reservoirs month of July, 1883, \$1,975 43.

3. Pay roll Committee on Pumping and Reservoirs (Reservoir No. 2), month of July, \$98 50.

4. Pay roll Committee on Pumping and Reservoirs month of June 1883, \$25.

5. Ordering laying of 850 feet of water pipe Sippavenue.

6. Resolving resolution paying salary of John Knoop for June, 1883.

7: Ordering paid salary of John Knoop for June and July, 1883.

8. Granting permission to George Och to place water trough in front of his premises and fixing annual rent therefor:

9. Authorizing Water Registrar to receive water rents from 1874 to 1894, at seven per cent, on thirty days notice, after which time water to be shut off.

10. Ordering paid certain claims.

11. Ordering paid certain claims.

12. Ordering paid certain claims

On motion the Board took a recess for thirty minutes.

On reassembling all the members were present.

By Mr. Smith and carried:

Resolved, That the resolution and communication from the Board of Directors of Education regarding the payment of deficiencies in the salaries of census takers be taken from the table and referred to the Committee on Finance and Claims.

#### REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Finance and Claims reported recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

On claims of A. L. McDermott:

Resolved, That \$49 05 be paid to A. L. McDermott for costs and expenses in city cases.

Resolved, That \$95 56 be paid to A. L. McDermott for disbursements and costs as Corporation Attorney.

On claim of John Griffin, Jr.

Resolved, That \$39 60 be paid to John Griffin, Jr., for masters fees taking testimony in suit of D. L. & W. R. R. vs. Jersey City.

On claim of the Evening Journal.

Resolved, That ten dollars be paid the Evening Journal Association for advertising sale of water scrip.

On claim of J. B. Cleveland.

Resolved, That \$47 60 be paid to J. B. Cleveland, Registrar, for certified copies of leases and deeds. The President having called for the ayes and nays on each of the above resolutions the reports of the Committee were received and the resolutions adopted unanimously.

The Committee on Concurrent Resolutions reported on concurrent resolutions from the Board of Public Works recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works August 6th, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That by and with the concurrence of the Board of Finance and Taxation the resolution adopted by this Board July 16th, 1883, and concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation, to wit:

"Resolved, That \$82.50 be paid to John Knoop for serving notices of arrears in month of June, 1883" be and is hereby rescinded and that the City Clerk be directed to cancel said warrant" be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works, July 1, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That by and with the concurrence of the Board of Finance and Taxation the

Water Assessor of this Board be and is hereby directed to report in writing within thirty days the names and location of business places of consumers of Passaic water in large quantities that are not at present metered, but charged under building rates, with a view of placing meters at the places noted by the Assessor, in order that the charges for use of Passaic water in Jersey City may be made more just and equitable, be and is hereby nonconcurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation, for the reason that the Water Assessor can make the examination and report to the Board of Public Works without the concurrence of this Board.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works, July 30, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That by and with the concurrence of the Board of Finance and Taxation the Registrar be and is hereby authorized and directed to notify all persons in arrears for water rents from 1871 to 1881, inclusive, that the said arrears for water rents will be received for the face value and interest at the rate of 7 per cent per annum for the space of thirty days from date of notification, and that said Registrar shall also notify said persons in arrears that upon failure to pay the arrears within thirty days the water will be shut off without further notice and interest and penalty at the present rate be added, together with the penalty for shutting off and turning on the water; and further.

Resolved. That this notice be duly served upon the parties in arrears, and time of service noted, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works July 2, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That by and with the concurrence of the Board of Finance and Taxation the Committee on Pumping and Reservoirs be and is hereby authorized to purchase one "Fairbank's Platform Scale" of suitable size and of a capacity not less than two (2) tons, or the purpose of weighing coal at High Service, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the pay-roll resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works, as presented by the Committee on Pumping and Reservoirs (for Reservoir No. 2) for month of July, 1883, amounting to \$98 50 be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the pay-roll resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works, as presented by the Committee on Pumping and Reservoirs for month of July, 1883, amounting to \$1,975 43. be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the pay-roll resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works as presented by the Committee on Pumping and Reservoirs month of June, 1883, amounting to \$25 be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the pay-roll resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works as presented by the Committee on Extensions and Distributions for the month of July, 1883, amounting to \$1,123 94 be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

The President having called for the ayes and nays on each of the above resolutions the reports of the Committee were received, and the resolutions adopted unanimously.

The Committee on Sales Taxes, and Assessments reported recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

On petition of Mary E. Denton,

Resolved, That the petition of Mary E. Denton for a compromise of assessment for improvement of Academy street, now Tonell's avenue, from N. J. R. R. to Jersey City line, on lot 53, block 137, be not granted, as in the opinion of this Board it is an equitable assessment, and should not be compromised.

On petition of the Peoples Insurance Company,

Resolved, That the City Collector be and is hereby authorized to receive from the Peoples' Insurance Company or its representa-



tive the face value of the following assessments without interest, viz.:

Sewer in Oak street, 1874, lot 51 block 802..... \$69 76

Improvement of Ocean avenue, 1870, lot 19, block 79..... 330 85

Provided all other assessments and taxes due on said property are paid with interest in full and said payments are made within sixty days from the date of the passage of this resolution, otherwise the resolution to be null and void and of no effect.

On petition of Frank L. Clark :

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby directed and authorized to receive from Frank L. Clark the face value of the following assessments without interest, to wit :

Widening Communipaw avenue, Bergen to Haladay, 1874, lot No. 39 to 42, block 502..... 16 61

Widening Communipaw avenue, Bergen to Halladay, 1874, lots Nos 39, 40, 41 block 502..... 6 38

Improvement West Grand street pile foundation, 1874, lots Nos 39, 40, 41, block 502..... 3 70

Improvement West Grand street, pile foundation, 1874, lots 39 to 42, block 502..... 9 63

Main sewer in Section A. Second Drainage District, 1874, lots 39 to 42, block 502..... 57 33

Main sewer in Section A. Second Drainage District, 1874, lots 39, 40, 41 block 503..... 22 05

Provided all other taxes and assessments are paid in full on said property and all interest, and said payments made within sixty days from the date of the passage of this resolution otherwise the resolution to be null and void and of no effect

On petition of Timothy Furey and others :

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby authorized and directed to receive from Timothy Furey or representatives the face value of the following assessments without any interest, to wit :

Regulating and grading Van Winkle avenue, 1870, lot 19, block 149..... \$386 72

Main sewer in Newark avenue from Five Corners to Hackensack River, 1874, lot 19, block 618..... \$19 53

Provided all other taxes and assessments due on said property are paid with interest in full, and said payments all made within sixty days from the date of the passage of this resolution, otherwise the resolution to be null and void and of no effect.

The President having called for the ayes and nays on each of the above resolutions, the reports of the Committee were received and the resolutions adopted unanimously.

The Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies, reported recommending the adoption of the following resolutions :

On claim of The Argus :

Resolved, That \$16 be paid to The Argus, for printing manuals pages 32 to 39.

On claim of Clarke and Walter :

Resolved, That \$355 80 be paid to Clarke and Walter for field books and Assessors books.

The President having called for the ayes and nays on each of the above resolutions, the reports of the Committee were received and the resolutions adopted unanimously.

#### MICCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

By Mr. Smith, and carried.

Moved, That when this Board adjourns it be to meet Wednesday, August 29th, 1883, at half-past seven o'clock P.M.,

By Mr. McGill :

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn upon the City Treasurer, in favor of that officer, for the sum of \$10,000, to transfer that amount from General Account to Assessment Account as a loan.

By Mr. McGill :

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer, in favor of that officer, as follows, to be deposited in the Hudson County National Bank to the credit of September Interest, 1883.

Interest on general account....\$5 719 00

Interest on assessment account. 1.592 50

Interest on water account.....19.145 00

The President having called for the ayes and nays on each of the above resolutions, they were adopted unanimously.

On motion the Board adjourned.

JOHN T. VAN CLEEF Clerk.





Regular adjourned meeting of the Board of Finance and Taxation held in the City Hall, Wednesday, August 29, 1893, at half past seven o'clock, p. m.

Present—All the members.

On motion the reading of the minutes of the last regular meeting was dispensed with and they were approved as printed in manual form.

#### PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS.

Petition of J V H Glendenny for an extension of time in which to pay assessments without interest.

Petitions of the Equitable Life Assurance Society, W R Wheeler and John Moran for compromise of assessments.

Petition of Dr Updyke Selover for cancellation of personal and poll tax.

Petition of Adam Darmstatter to have a duplicate assessment for taxes cancelled.

Petition of Emmons & Co. for return of money paid in error on water rents.

All the above petitions were received and referred to the Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments.

Petition of Peter Henderson and others for the return of deposit made on improvement opening of Avenue C.

Received and referred to the Corporation Counsel.

Resignation of Ann Norton as janatrix in City Hall.

Received and referred to the Committee of the Whole.

#### PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS.

Claim of Clarke and Walter of \$148 88 for blank books and stationery.

Claim of the Jordan Stationery Company of \$174 20 for stationery furnished assessors.

Claim of the Chelsea Ice Company of \$11 25 for ice furnished offices in City Hall, from July 27 to August 27, 1893.

Claim of Austin & Taylor of \$75 55, for cleaning and repairing windows in City Hall.

Claim of the Jersey City Gas Light Company of \$67 65 for gas consumed in City Hall from April 1st to July 1st, 1893.

Claim of Philip B Martin of \$8 75 for taking down stoves in City Hall.

All of the above claims were received and referred to the Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies.

Claim of the Evening Journal of \$1,409 10 for advertising sale of lands for unpaid taxes of 1879.

Claim of the Argus of \$1,409 10 for advertising sale of lands for unpaid taxes of 1879.

Claim of the Jersey City Herald of \$845 46 for advertising sale of lands for unpaid taxes of 1879.

Claim of the New Jersey Free Press of \$845 46 for advertising sale of lands for unpaid taxes of 1879.

All the above claims were received and referred to the Committee on Finance and Claims.

#### OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

Requisitions for stationery were received from the City Treasurer and City Clerk, both of which were referred to the Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies, with power.

The City Collector reported that he had received in his office for collection the following assessment maps:

Sewer in Summit avenue, 85 feet south of Lincoln street to Bowers street..... \$1,972 05

Sewer in Hancock avenue, 75 feet south of Hutton street to Franklin street..... 2,505 50

Improvement of Van Vorst street, between Grand street and the south side of Morris street..... 4,266 75

The City Treasurer reported the following total balance credited to all the accounts in the city depositories at the close of business this day at \$382,286.80.

The City Comptroller reported the following total receipts of the City Treasury, August 9th to 29th, 1893, both days included, at \$57,443.21.

The above reports were received and ordered filed.

The Corporation Counsel reported recommending that the sum of \$153.27 be paid to Merseles M. Park, being difference between old and new assessment.

Received and referred to the Committee on Finance and Claims.

#### OPINION OF THE CORPORATION COUNSEL.

Jersey City, August 22d, 1893.

To the Honorable, the Board of Finance and Taxation of Jersey City.

Gentlemen—I herewith report upon the following petitions for rebate on assessment with my recommendation to pay the same:

No. 659 A. Construction sewer in South street ..... \$6 12  
B. Main sewer Third Ward, old Hudson City ..... 10 24  
C. Sewer in Cambridge avenue, north to South street.... 23 01  
D. Sewer in Cambridge avenue, north to South street.... 58 26  
No. 931. Imp. Jersey avenue, 9th to 15th street ..... 15 53

In regard to petition No. 931 I would advise that payment of the rebates claimed be refused as by reference to the assessment bills attached thereto it will be seen from the certificate of the City Collector that one of said assessments was set aside by the Commissioners to adjust unpaid assessments, another set aside by Supreme Court has been reassessed at same amount, and the remaining two have never been set aside.

Respectfully submitted,  
LEON ABSETT,  
Corp. Counsel.

Received, and referred to the Committee on Finance and Claims.

The following resolution was received from the Board of Public Works and referred to Committee on Finance and Claims.

1. Requesting transfer of \$500 from the Committee on Reconstruction of Streets and Sewers to the Committee on Streets and Sewers, fiscal year 1893 and '93.

The following concurrent resolutions were received from the Board of Public Works, and referred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions.

1 Pay roll of the Committee on Water Rates and Assessments for the month of July 1893, amounting to \$1,805 03.

2. Authorizing Committee to advertise for digging water trenches and laying water pipe.

3. Improvement of Sixteenth street from Remondson street to Jersey avenue.

4. Authorizing Committee to advertise for proposals for 600 lengths of 8-inch water pipe.

5. Two resolutions ordering paid certain claims.

On motion the Board took a recess.

The Board reassembled, all the members present.

#### REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Finance and Claims reported on claims recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

On claim of The Argus:

Resolved, That the sum of one thousand four hundred and nine dollars and ten cents be paid to The Argus for advertising sale of land for arrears of taxes of 1879.

On claim of The Evening Journal Association.

Resolved, That the sum of one thousand four hundred and nine dollars and ten cents be paid to the evening Journal Association for advertising sale of lands for arrears of taxes of 1879.

On claim of the New Jersey Free Press.

Resolved, That the sum of eight hundred and forty-five dollars and 46 cents be paid to the New Jersey Free Press for advertising sale of lands for arrears of taxes of 1879.

On claim of the Jersey City Herald.

Resolved, That the sum of eight hundred and forty-five dollars and forty-six cents be paid to the Jersey City Herald for advertising sales of lands for arrears of taxes of 1879.

On claim of The Evening Journal Association.

Resolved, That the sum of \$20 be paid to the



Evening Journal Association for advertising sale of water scrip.

On claim of James B Vreedenburgh. Resolved, That the sum of \$71 79 be paid to James B Vreedenburgh Atty for taxed costs in suit of Isaac I Vanderbeek vs the Mayor and Aldermen of Jersey City on certiorari.

On claim of James B Vreedenburgh. Resolved, That the sum of \$39 34 be paid to James B Vreedenburgh Atty for taxed costs in suit of the Red Star Steamship Co vs the Mayor and Aldermen of Jersey City on certiorari.

On claim of James B Vreedenburgh. Resolved, That the sum of \$28 48 be paid to James B Vreedenburgh Atty for taxed costs in suit of Henry J Conwell vs. the Mayor and Aldermen of Jersey City on certiorari.

On claim of Lansing Zabriskie. Resolved, That the sum of \$25 20 be paid to Lansing Zabriskie, attorney, for taxed costs in the suit of Jacob West, acting executor of Mary K Sisson vs. The Mayor and Aldermen of Jersey City, on certiorari.

On claim of John W. Heck, att'y: Resolved, That the sum of \$33 70 be paid to John W. Heck, att'y, for taxed costs in suit of Lansing Zabriskie et. als. vs. The Mayor and Aldermen of Jersey City, on certiorari.

The President having called for the ayes and nays on each of the above resolutions, the reports of the Committee were received, and the resolutions adopted unanimously.

The Committee on Concurrent Resolutions reported on concurrent resolutions from the Board of Public Works, recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the pay-roll resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works, August 12th, 1883, as presented by the Committee on Water Rates and Assessments for the month of July, 1883, amounting to \$1,305 02, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works May 14th, 1883, accepting the report of the Committee on Streets and Sewers, upon the application of Jacob J. DeWittier and others for the improvement of Danforth avenue, from Central Railroad depot to Bergen avenue, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works August 6th 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That by and with the concurrence of the Board of Finance and Taxation George Osh be and he is hereby permitted to place a water trough at Johnson and Pacific avenues, on the payment to the Water Registrar of an annual tax of \$10; and

Resolved, That for the future the owners of all water troughs pay to the Water Registrar an annual tax of \$10 for the water used in the same; and

Resolved, That the Water Registrar be notified to cut off the water from all troughs whose owners fail to comply with this resolution, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works August 18th, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That by and with the concurrence of the Board of Finance and Taxation the Committee on Extensions and Distributions be and is hereby directed to advertise for proposals for digging trenches and laying water pipe for one year according to specifications to be approved by this Board previous to advertising, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works, July 16th, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That the sum of \$45 be paid to James Howell for inspecting with waterphone: \$45 to Edward Wayne for inspecting with waterphone: \$45 to Peter McGowen for inspecting with waterphone, be and is hereby non-concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation, for the reason that said appointments were never concurred in by this Board.

Resolved, That the following resolution

adopted by the Board of Public Works, July 20 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That the sum of \$72 50 be paid to James Ravage for distributing water bills be and is hereby non-concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation for the reason that said appointment has never been concurred in by this Board.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works July 9, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That \$110 be paid to J. B. Hyde for distributing water bills, \$70 00 to Washington Russell for distributing water bills, \$37 50 to George T. Kraus for distributing water bills be and is hereby non-concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation for the reason that said appointments have never been concurred in by this Board.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works, June 25, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That \$77 50 be paid to John Greimes for 31 days' services distributing water bills, \$63 to John G. Wilson for 26 days services distributing water bills be and is hereby non-concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation for the reason that this Board has never concurred in the above appointments.

Resolved, That the following resolution, adopted by the Board of Public Works, August 6th, 1883, to-wit:

Resolved, That by and with the concurrence of the Board of Finance and Taxation \$62 50 be paid to John Knoop, appointed under resolution of May 28, 1883, for salary for the month of June, 1883, \$62 50 to John Knoop for salary for month of July, 1883, be and is hereby non-concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation for the reason that this Board is informed by the Water Registrar that no service has been rendered.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works, July 20, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That \$4 25 be paid to the N. J. Freie Presse, \$5 25 and \$4 25 to N. J. Freie Presse, \$3 75 to H. R. Worthington, \$14 to Benjamin Nield, \$12 to Edward Marks, \$9 35 to N. J. Freie Presse, \$28 75 to J. H. Baldwin, \$220 72, \$43 20 and \$4 28 to Davenport, Treacy & Co., \$102 73 to Daniel Davis, \$125 to Albert K Leeds, \$25 51 to Edward Nelson, \$7 95 and \$14 15 to Philip E. Martin, \$20 to Patrick Sherry, \$19 84 to Geo. B. Lockwood, \$23 80 to J. C. Herold, \$9 to A. A. Donnelly, \$2 to Edward Barton, \$12 20 to Philip E. Martin, \$7 09 to F. A. Smith, \$4 36 to Thomas J. Stewart, \$5 76 to Philip E. Martin, \$22 to Edwin Barton, \$18 45 to Philip E. Martin, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works, Aug. 6, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That \$17 50, \$20, \$20, \$22 50, \$22 50, \$35, \$22 50, \$21 50 and \$17 50 be paid to The Aqua, \$4 25, \$4 25, \$5 25, \$5 25, \$6 25 to N. J. Freie Presse, \$4 50, \$4 50 and \$4 50 J. C. Herold, all charged to improvement, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works, Aug. 6, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That \$24 08 be paid to James Muldoon, \$5 63 to Jesquins & Van Winkle, \$11 90 to Wood & Menagh, \$10 24 to T. E. Young, \$125 to Wm. Felter, \$299 95 to Newark Aqueduct Board, \$250 to E. H. McFarland, \$24 to The Aqua, \$24 50 and \$29 75 to R. H. McFarland, \$350 to W. H. Boyd, \$10 to Ewald Bro., \$52 to Michael Mulligan, \$5 78 to Vanderbeek & Sons, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

The President having called for the ayes and nays on each of the above resolutions, the reports of the Committee were received, and the resolutions and recommendations adopted unanimously.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works, May 21st, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That \$41 50 be paid to Joseph S. Martinete for carpenter work and labor. B,





and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

The President having called for the yeas and nays on the above resolution, it was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—Messrs. McGill, Smith, Tilden and Witsch.

Nay—President Beach.

The Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments reported the salary list for the month of August, 1883, recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer for the payment of salaries for the month of August, 1883 when due, viz.:

Isaac W. Taussig, Mayor, \$163 68; Thomas Earle, City Treasurer, \$200; S. C. Nelson, City Comptroller, \$200; James H. Love, City Collector, \$200; Leon Abbott, Corporation Counsel, \$333 33; Elijah T. Parton, Corporation Attorney, \$150; John T. Van Cleaf, Clerk to Board of Finance and Taxation, \$100; Isaac Morrow, Jun., Clerk to Treasurer, \$100; George R. Hought, Clerk to Comptroller, \$100; Andrew D. Whyte, Assistant Collector, \$110; Clerks to Collector, S. D. Dickinson, \$83 33; John T. M. Kaylar, \$70; Lewis E. Smith, \$70 00; William H. Turle, \$70; James E. Connolly, \$70; Charles Krebs, \$70; Charles Freeman, \$70; Patrick O'Neill, Messenger, \$60; William H. Powell, Marshall and District Court, \$50; Clerk to City Clerk, Thomas K. Halstead, \$75; N. E. Feury, \$75; R. L. Hudson, \$70; Printing Minutes—The Argus, \$208 33; Evening Journal, \$208 33; Cleaning Rooms in City Hall, Elizabeth Lynch, \$30; Anne Morton, 14 days, \$14.

The same Committee reported on petitions of Evan Jones and O. E. Coles recommending the adoption of the following resolutions.

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer, in favor of Evan Jones for the sum of \$41 62, it being an over payment on lot 52, block 170, taxes of 1882, and that the City Collector be notified.

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer, in favor of O. E. Coles for the sum of \$6 60, being a duplicate payment on lot 1, block 34, No. 745 Jersey avenue, for water rents for the year 1883, and that the Water Registrar be notified.

The President having called for the yeas and nays on each of the above resolutions, the reports of the Committee were received and the resolutions adopted unanimously.

The Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies reported claims for payment, recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

On claim of the Jordan Stationery Co.:

Resolved, That the sum of \$174 20 be paid to the Jordan Stationery Co. for stationery furnished Assessors.

On claim of Clarke and Walter:

Resolved, That the sum of \$118 95 be paid to Clarke and Walter for blank books and stationery furnished offices in City Hall.

On claim of Phillip E. Martin:

Resolved, That the sum of \$5 75 be paid to Phillip E. Martin for taking down stoves in City Hall.

On claim of the Chelsea Ice Co.:

Resolved, That the sum of \$11 25 be paid to the Chelsea Ice Co. for ice delivered at City Hall from July 27th to August 27th, 1883.

On claim of Mackey's A. B. C. Guide:

Resolved, That the sum of \$13 be paid to Mackey's A. B. C. Guide for Guide furnished Collector's office May 28th, 1881, to May 28th, 1882.

On claim of Austin & Taylor:

Resolved, That the claim of Austin & Taylor of \$75 65 for cleaning and repairing windows in City Hall be not paid for the reason that said work was never ordered to be done by this Board.

The President having called for the yeas and nays on each of the above resolutions the reports of the Committee were received and the resolutions and recommendations adopted unanimously.

The Committee of the Whole reported on communication from Ann Norton resigning her position as janatrix in City Hall, recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the resignation of Ann Norton as one of the janatrices of the City Hall be and the same is hereby accepted.

The President having called for the yeas and nays on the above resolution it was adopted unanimously.

#### MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

By Mr. McGill:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer for the sum of \$15,000 in favor of George H. Farrier, County Collector, to be applied on account of county taxes for the years 1882-'83.

By Mr. Smith:

Resolved, That when this Board adjourns it will adjourn to meet Wednesday, September 12, 1883, at 7:30 p. m.

The President having called for the yeas and nays on each of the above resolutions they were adopted unanimously.

By Mr. McGill:

Resolved, That Bridget Parker be appointed to fill vacancy caused by resignation of Ann Norton as janatrix in City Hall at a salary of \$30 per month.

By Mr. Smith:

Moved, That the resolution be tabled.

The motion was lost by the following vote:

Yeas—President Beach and Mr. Smith.

Nays—Messrs. McGill, Tilden and Witsch.

The resolution was then adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—Messrs. McGill, Smith, Tilden and Witsch.

Nay—President Beach.

On motion the Board adjourned.

JOHN T. VAN CLEEF, Clerk.



Regular adjourned meeting of the Board of Finance and Taxation held in the City Hall, Wednesday, September 12th, 1883, at 7:30 o'clock p. m.

Present—All the members.

On motion the reading of the minutes of the last regular meeting was dispensed with and they were approved as written.

#### PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS.

Claim of McGill & Taylor, attorneys, of \$74.91 for taxed costs in the case of Andrew Williams vs. the Mayor and Aldermen of Jersey City.

Received and referred to the Committee on Finance and Claims.

#### OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

The City Comptroller reported the following total receipts of the City Treasury August 30th to September 12th, 1883, both days included at \$37,902.61.

The City Treasurer reported the following total balance credited to all accounts in the city depositories at the close of business this day at \$233,370.81.

Both reports were received and ordered filed. Communication from the Council of the Board of Chosen Freeholders in reference to the payment of arrears of taxes due the county from the city requesting the immediate payment of the same.

Received and referred to the Committee on Finance and Claims.

Communication from the City Marshal in reference to the cleaning of the City Hall, received and referred to the Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments.

The following concurrent resolutions were received from the Board of Public Works, and referred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions:

1. Pay roll of the Committee on Water Rates and Assessments for the month of August, 1883, amounting to \$1,335.02.

2. Pay-roll of the Committee on Extensions and Distributions for the month of August, 1883, amounting to \$1,227.08.

3. Pay-roll of the Committee on Pumping and Reservoirs for the month of August, 1883, amounting to \$1,978.40.

4. Pay-roll of Committee on Pumping and Reservoirs for Reservoir No. 2 for the month of August, 1883, amounting to \$318.12.

5. Authorizing Committee to purchase and lay 170 lineal feet of 6-inch water pipe in Harmon street from Randolph avenue to a point 150 feet north thereof.

6. Authorizing Committee to advertise for proposals for removing sewer refuse from the sewers in Jersey City for one year.

7. Ordering paid claim of John Knopp for distributing water bills.

8. Three resolutions ordering paid certain claims.

On motion the Board took a recess.

The Board re-assembled all the members present.

#### REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Concurrent Resolutions reported on concurrent resolutions from the Board of Public Works recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works August 13th, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That \$17.50, \$31, \$27.50, \$17.50, \$17.50, \$7.50, \$17.50, \$20, \$15, be paid to the Evening Journal Association for advertising and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works August 13th, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That \$6.60 be paid to Vanderbeek & Sons \$4.50 to John Cogau, \$26.95 to John A. Vill, \$15.52 to Warner & Caracullen, \$90 to Joseph Seals, \$52.2 to Philip E. Martin, \$31.15 to Patrick Manley, \$29.70 to Tabbenhoff & Bro; \$2.50 to H. R. Worthington, \$134.25 to C. A. Fuller & Co.; \$119.76 to Wood & Men gh; \$15 to The Argus; \$3.50 to J. C. Herold; \$32.17 to Michael McOrther; \$37.22 to John A. Whalen; \$6 to Andrew McAre; \$38.50 to Vanderbeek & Sons; \$80 to The Argus; \$80 to the Evening

Journal; \$336.76 to Vanderbeek & Sons, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the pay roll resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works September 10th, 1883, as presented by the Committee on Pumping and Reservoirs for the month ending August 31st, 1883, amounting to \$1,978.40, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the pay roll resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works September 10, 1883, as presented to the Committee on Water Rates and Assessments for the month ending August 31st, 1883, amounting to \$1,335.02, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the pay roll resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works September 10th, 1883, as presented by the Committee on Extension and Distributions for the month ending August 31st, 1883, amounting to \$1,227.08, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution, adopted by the Board of Public Works September 10th, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That by and with the concurrence of the Board of Finance and Taxation the sum of \$67.10 be paid to John Knopp for 27 days' services distributing notices and bills of arrears of water rents during the month of August, 1883, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works September 10, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That \$28 be paid to the Argus for printing manuals, pages 33 to 46, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works August 6, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That the sum of \$150 be paid to C. A. Lathrop for one gray mare in exchange for sorrel horse, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works August 2, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That \$334.78, \$342.68 and \$344.53 be paid to James Coyle, Agent, for coal at Belleville, be and is hereby non-concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation for the reason that the said James Coyle has not complied with former contracts for the delivery of coal to the city.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works July 9, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That \$247.50 be paid to James Coyle for coal delivered at High Service, be and is hereby non-concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation for the reason that the said James Coyle has not complied with former contracts for the delivery of coal to the city.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works August 13, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That \$328.01 and \$332.23 be paid to James Coyle, Agent, for coal delivered at Belleville, be and is hereby non-concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation for the reason that the said James Coyle has not complied with former contracts for delivery of coal to the city.

The President having called for the ayes and nays on each of the above resolutions the reports of the Committee were received and the resolutions adopted unanimously.

The Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments reported on petitions recommending the adoption of the following resolutions.

On petition of J. V. H. Clendenny:

Whereas, J. V. H. Clendenny for good and sufficient reason has been unable to comply with the provisions of a certain resolution adopted May 16, 1883, authorizing the settlement of a certain assessment without interest and on said account the resolution having become null and void and of no effect, therefore

Resolved, That the said Coyle be directed to receive from J. V. H. Clendenny or his re-





representative the face value of the following assessment without interest to wit:  
 Improvement of West Grand street & the foundation, reconfirmed May 20, 1874, on lots assessors Nos 7395, block 611 lot 7394, block 540, lot 7395 block 539, lot 7396 block 738, lot 7397 block 513, lot 7393 block 612, amounting to..... \$119 50  
 Provided all other assessments and taxes due on said property are paid in full with interest and costs if any, and provided said payments are made within sixty days from the date of the passage of this resolution, otherwise the resolution to be null and void and of no effect.

On petition of W. R. Wheeler:  
 Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby requested to receive from W. R. Wheeler or his representative the face value of the following assessment on lot 1 block 436 confirmation approved February 27, 1874, to wit:  
 Sewer in Walnut street, from Morris

Canal to Pine street..... \$119 47  
 Provided that all other assessments and taxes due on said property are paid in full with interest and costs, if any, and that said payments are made within sixty days from the date of the passage of this resolution, otherwise the resolution to be null and void and of no effect.

On petition of the Equitable Life Assurance Society:

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby requested to receive from the Equitable Life Assurance Society, or its representative, the face value of the following assessments to wit:

Main sewer Section "A," Second Drainage District, confirmed February 26th, 1874, Lots 1, 2, 3 and 4, Block 512,..... \$170 03  
 Improvement on Madison ave., from Hill avenue to Newark Park Road, confirmed and approved June 13th,

1871, on Lots 1, 2, 3 and 4, Block 512, .. \$824 41  
 Provided all other assessments and taxes due on said property are paid in full with interest and costs, if any, and provided further that said payments are made within sixty days from the date of the passage of this resolution, otherwise the resolution to be null and void and of no effect.

On petition of Adam Darmstatter:

Resolved, That the City Clerk be requested to cancel the sales made of Lots 49 and 50, Block 2, Baker's map, for taxes for the years 1877, 1878 and 1879 standing in the name of Adam and Margaret Darmstatter, and that the City Collector be requested to cancel the assessment made against the said property for the year 1880, the same being a duplicate assessment for taxes as aforesaid.

On petition of Emmons & Co.:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Emmons & Co for the sum of \$9 50, being a duplicate payment on water rents for the year 1883, made on lot 41, block 18 1/2, No 33 Mandeville avenue, and that the water registrar be notified.

On petition of Dr W Updyke Selover:

Resolved, That the petition of W Updyke Selover to have personal and poll tax assessed at No 475 Monmouth street, block 391, Third district, cancelled, be not granted.

The petitioner should have applied to the Commissioners of Appeal in cases of taxation for the years complained of.

The same committee reported verbally on petition of John Moran for compromise of assessments authorizing its withdrawal, and recommending that it be returned to the petitioner.

The President having called for the yeas and nays on each of the above resolutions the reports of the committee were received and the resolutions and recommendations adopted unanimously.

The Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies reported on claim of The Argus recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the sum of \$48 be paid to The Argus for printing manual pages 8 to 31, both inclusive.

The President having called for the yeas and nays on the above resolution the report of the

committee was received and the resolution adopted unanimously.

#### MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

By Mr. McGill:

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn upon the City Treasurer in favor of George H Farrier, County Collector, in the sum of \$150.176 38-100 in full, for State school tax for the year 1882.

By Mr. McGill:

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn upon the City Treasurer in favor of George H Farrier, County Collector for the sum of four thousand eight hundred and fifty-four dollars and forty-five cents on account of county tax for the year 1882-1883.

By Mr. Smith:

Resolved, That the City Clerk be and he is hereby requested to cancel all sales made of lot 42 B, block 551, as appropriate by the City Comptroller for the years in which the same is taxed, as it is a duplicate assessment, the same property being included in the assessment levied against lot 45, block 551, as per report of the Assessor attached to the petition of W S Dudley.

By Mr. Smith:

Resolved, That Menzies C Cleveland be and is hereby appointed an agent of this Board under the direction of the City Collector for the purpose of collecting the arrears of personal taxes at a salary of \$75 per month, term to commence Monday, September 17, 1883, and to continue during the pleasure of the Board; and be it further

Resolved, That Menzies C Cleveland shall file with the clerk of this Board a bond in the sum of three thousand dollars for the faithful performance of his duty, and shall turn over to the City Treasurer all monies collected each and every week and report the same collected to this Board.

By Mr. Smith:

Whereas, a certain strip of land containing 419 and 910 square feet was taken by the city from the property of William Broesser on Newark avenue opposite Palisade avenue, for the improvement of Newark avenue from Five Corners to old Jersey City line, for which he has never been paid.

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of James H. Love, City Collector, for the sum of \$543 82, being at the rate of one dollar per square foot and interest thereon from the date of the reconfirmation of the said assessment. The said warrant to be applied on account of said assessment which is still due and owing from said William Broesser. The warrant not to be applied as aforesaid until a deed approved by the Corporation Counsel for said strip of land so taken be executed and delivered.

By Mr. Smith:

Whereas, a certain strip of land containing one thousand one hundred and two (1012) square feet was taken by the city from the property of T. C. O'Callaghan on Newark avenue, opposite a Palisade avenue for the improvement of Newark avenue, from Five Corners to Old Jersey City line, for which he has never been paid.

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of James H. Love City Collector for the sum of \$1437 29 being at the rate of one dollar per square foot, and interest thereon from the date of the reconfirmation of the said assessment, the said warrant to be applied on account of said assessment, which is still due and owing from said T. C. O'Callaghan, the warrant not to be applied as aforesaid until a deed approved by the Corporation Counsel for said strip of land so taken be executed and delivered.

The President having called for the yeas and nays on each of the above resolutions, they were adopted unanimously.

By Mr. Smith:

Whereas For good and sufficient reasons John S. Sutphen has been unable to comply with the provisions of a certain resolution adopted June 13th, 1883 in reference to the compromising of certain assessments; therefore,

Resolved, That the City Collector be and is hereby requested a deed to be issued to receive



from J. S. Sutphen the sum of \$2,500, in full settlement of the following assessments, and to cancel and receipt for the same in full, viz:

Lateral sewer in Fairmount ave on lot 19 block 280.

Lateral sewer in Bergen avenue, Belmont avenue to Montgomery street, lots 1½ and 2, block 280.

Lateral sewer in Jewett avenue, Bergen avenue east, lot 20, block 280.

Main sewer section "A", 2nd drainage district on lots 1½ and 2, Nos. 19 and 20, block 280.

Main sewer section "B", 2nd drainage district, on lots 1½ and 2 and 19 and 20, block 280.

Improvement Bergen avenue, Communipaw to Montgomery street, lots 1½ and 2 and 19 and 20, block 280.

Provided all other assessments and taxes due on said property are paid in full with interest and costs if any and said payments made within thirty days from the date of the passage of this resolution, otherwise the resolution to be null and void and of no effect.

The President having called for the ayes and nays on the above resolution it was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—President Beach, Messrs. McGill, Tilden and Witsch.

Nay—Mr. Smith.

On motion the Board adjourned.

JOHN T. VAN CLEEF, Clerk.

1. The first step is to identify the problem or question that needs to be addressed. This involves understanding the context and the specific requirements of the task.



Regular meeting of the Board of Finance and Taxation held in the City Hall, Wednesday September 19th, 1883, at 7:30 o'clock p. m.

Present—All the members.

On motion the reading of the minutes of the last regular meeting was dispensed with and they were approved as written.

#### PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS.

Petition of John C. Young for rebate on assessment.

Received and referred to the Corporation Counsel.

Remonstrance of certain property owners along the line of the Bowers street sewer against the payment of the contractor for said improvement.

Received and referred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions.

Communication from James Carroll, John Murphy, Henry Smith and others, employees of the Board of Public Works, on pay rolls of the Committee on Extension and Distributions for the months of November and December, 1882, non-concurred in by this Board, requesting a reconsideration and a concurrence therein.

Received and referred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions.

Petition of Mr. W. Updyke Selover to have personal and poll tax cancelled.

Petition of Jacob Weart, acting executor of the estate of Mary E. Sisson, deceased, for compromise of assessments.

Petition of Webb & Matthews for reduction of values and corrections of taxes.

All the above petitions were received and referred to the Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments.

#### PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS.

Claim of Heppenheimer & Maurer of \$170 50 for official printing.

Claim of Clark & Walter for \$60 60 for stationery furnished offices in City Hall.

Claim of B. F. Corduan of \$2 25 for repairing locks in City Hall.

All the above claims were received and referred to the Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies.

Claim of Thomas Earle of \$8 60 for incidental expenses.

Claim of John T. Van Cleef of \$25 50 for disbursements of Clerk.

Both the above claims were received and referred to the Committee on Finance and Claims.

#### OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

Communication from John R. Scott, City Clerk, in regard to certiorari suits against the city.

Received and ordered filed.

The City Treasurer reported the following total balance credited to all the accounts in the city depositories at the close of business the day at \$343,466 34.

The City Comptroller reported the following total receipts of the city Treasury September 13th to 19th, 1883, both days included, at \$23,039 24.

Both reports were received and ordered filed.

Official bond of Menzies C. Cleveland in the sum of \$3,000 as agent of the Board of Finance and Taxation for the collection of arrears of personal taxes.

Received and referred to the Committee on Finance and Claims.

Resolution from the Board of Public Works requesting transfer of \$150 from the account of Reconstruction of Streets and Sewers fiscal year 1882-83.

Resolution from the Board of Directors of Education requesting transfer of \$100 from the account of Books, Stationery and Music to the account of Printing and Blanks fiscal year 1882-83.

Both the above resolutions were received and referred to the Committee on Finance and Claims.

The following concurrent resolutions were received and referred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions:

1. Construction of a sewer in Manhattan

avenue from a point 575 feet east of Central avenue to and connecting with a sewer in Central avenue.

2. Construction of a sewer in Lincoln street from 100 feet east of Summit avenue to and connecting with sewer in Central avenue.

3. Construction of a sewer in Laidlaw avenue from Oakland avenue to a point 75 feet west of Palisade avenue.

4. Change of grade on Communipaw avenue between a point 150 feet east of the centre line of the Central Railroad and a point 150 feet west of the centre line of said railroad at Communipaw avenue.

5. Extending the time of John Knoop for delivering water bills to the first day of October, 1883.

6. Two resolutions ordering paid certain claims.

On motion the Board took a recess.

The Board reassembled, the following members present:

President Beach, Messrs. Smith, Tilden and Witsch.

Absent—Mr. McGill.

#### REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Finance and Claims reported on the official bond of Menzies C. Cleveland as agent of the Board of Finance and Taxation for the collection of arrears of personal taxes.

Received, ordered spread at large on the bond book and filed.

The same committee reported on resolutions from the Board of Directors of Education and the Board of Public Works requesting transfers, recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the City Comptroller be and he is hereby instructed to transfer the sum of \$150 from the account of reconstruction of streets and sewers to the account of streets and sewers, Board of Public Works fiscal year 1882-83, to make repairs on Bleeker street, between Germania and Terrace avenues.

Resolved, That the City Comptroller be and he is hereby instructed to transfer the sum of \$500 from the account of Reconstruction of Streets and Sewers to the account of Streets and Sewers, Board of Public Works, fiscal year 1882-83.

The same committee reported on resolution from the Board of Directors of Education requesting a transfer of \$100 from the Committee on Books, Stationery and Music to the account of Printing and Blanks, fiscal year 1882-83, adverse to granting the same. This Board believes the amount appropriated for books, stationery and music should be used for that purpose.

The same committee reported on claims of James B. Vredenburg and McGill & Taylor, attorneys, for taxed costs, recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

On claim of James B. Vredenburg:

Resolved, That the sum of \$71 79 be paid to James B. Vredenburg, attorney, for taxed costs on certiorari.

On claim of McGill & Taylor, attorneys:

Resolved, That the sum of \$74 91 be paid to McGill & Taylor, attorneys, for taxed costs on certiorari.

The President having called for the yeas and nays on each of the above resolutions, the reports of the committee were received and the resolutions and recommendations adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—President Beach, Messrs. McGill, Smith and Tilden.

Absent—Mr. McGill.

The Committee on Concurrent Resolutions reported on concurrent resolutions from the Board of Public Works, recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works, Sept. 17th, 1883, be withdrawn:

Resolved, That by and with the concurrence of the Board of Finance and Taxation the term of office of John Knoop be and is hereby extended to the first day of October, 1883, at the salary of \$250 per day, he and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.



Resolved, That the following resolution, adopted by the Board of Public Works, Sept. 10, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That by and with the concurrence of the Board of Finance and Taxation the Committee on Streets and Sewers be and is hereby authorized to advertise for proposals for removing sewer refuse from the sewers in Jersey City for one year according to specifications to be approved by this Board previous to advertising, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution, adopted by the Board of Public Works, Sept. 10, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That \$250 be paid to James Coyle for coal, \$157 50 to James Coyle for coal, \$352 50 to James Coyle for coal, be and is hereby non-concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation for the reason that said James Coyle has not complied with former contracts for the delivery of coal to the city.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works Sept. 17, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That \$15, \$42 50, \$22 50, \$27 50, \$25, \$26 be paid to The Argus, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works Sept. 10th, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That \$30 be paid to Wm Gaston; \$3 to Patrick Cherry; \$78 43 to Hewes & Phillips, \$352 45, \$341 47, \$330, \$3 42 3, \$350 71, \$338 81 be paid to Hugh F. Andolph; \$12 to James P. Wheeler; \$15 to Evening Journal Association; \$8 55 to Thomas F. Noonan; \$59 06 to Claus Prigge; \$52 50 and \$42 50 to Thomas Whyte; \$121 78, \$177 36, \$121 85, \$114 18, \$78 55 to Warren Foundry and Machine Co., be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works Sept. 10, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That \$4 05 be paid to Philip E. Martin; \$149 74 to Wood & Menagh; \$15 to E. J. Whalen, agent; \$14 42 to F. Perrett Sons; \$23 57 to Warner & Carswell; \$18 85 to John A. Vill; \$39 20 to Vanderbeek & Sons; \$158 16, \$256 47 and \$89 35 to Davenport, Treacy & Co; \$4 to Patrick Cherry; \$12 5 to F. Perrett Sons; \$34 70 to John A. Vill; \$34, \$72 to R. H. McFarland; \$14 to John J. Corbett; \$72 to H. J. Gallo, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works Sept. 10, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That \$4, \$4 50, \$3, \$4, \$4, \$3 50 be paid to J. O. Herard; \$7 50 to Tattler Publishing Co; \$3 56, \$2 60, \$4 50, \$3, \$3 and \$3 50, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works July 2, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That by and with the concurrence of the Board of Finance and Taxation the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings be

and is hereby authorized to purchase the plot of ground selected by them on Linden-avenue at a price not to exceed \$5 000; and further

Resolved, That said committee be directed to prepare plans and specifications for new school building to be submitted for the approval of the Board of Directors of Education, be and is hereby non-concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation, it not being for the best interest of Jersey City to purchase said lots.

The same committee reported verbally on resolution presented to this Board March 7, 1883, requesting this Board to concur in the pay rolls of Committee on Extension and Distribution for the months of November and December, 1883, recommending that the same be placed on file.

The President having called for the yeas and nays on each of the above resolutions the reports of the committee were received and the resolutions adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—President Beach, Messrs. Smith, Tilden and Witach.

Absent—Mr. McGill.

The Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies report on claims recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

On claim of Thomas Earle.

Resolved, That the sum of \$3 80 be paid to Thomas Earle for incidental expenses.

On claim of John T. Van Cleaf:

Resolved, That the sum of \$35 50 be paid to John T. Van Cleaf for disbursements as clerk.

On claim of Clarke & Walter:

Resolved, That the sum of \$60 80 be paid to Clarke & Walter for stationery furnished offices in City Hall.

On claim of Heppenhelmer & Maurer:

Resolved, That the sum of \$170 50 be paid to Heppenhelmer & Maurer for official printing.

On claim of B. F. Corduan.

Resolved, That the sum of \$2 25 be paid to B. F. Corduan for repairing locks in the City Hall.

The President having called for the yeas and nays on each of the above resolutions the reports of the committee were received and the resolutions adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—President Beach, Messrs. Smith, Tilden and Witach.

Absent—Mr. McGill.

#### MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

By Mr. McGill:

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of that officer as follows, to be deposited in the Hudson County National Bank to the credit of October 1882:

Interest account, ..... \$23 385 00

On general account to pay interest

on assessment bonds, ..... 17,185 00

On water account, ..... 28,000 00

The President having called for the yeas and nays on the above resolutions it was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—President Beach, Messrs. Smith, Tilden and Witach.

Absent—Mr. McGill.

On motion the Board adjourned.

JOHN T. VAN CLEEF, Clerk.





Regular meeting of the Board of Finance and Taxation held in the City Hall, Wednesday September 26th, 1883, at 7 30 o'clock p. m.

Present—All the members.

On motion the reading of the minutes of the last regular meeting was dispensed with and they were approved as written.

#### PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS.

Communication from the Taxpayers' Association of Greenville submitting a copy of a preamble and resolution adopted by said Association September 18, 1883, requesting this Board to refuse to compromise taxes, &c.

The communication was received and laid on the table.

Petition of Delavan De Long to have personal tax cancelled.

Petition of Adolph Luck for compromise of assessments.

Petition of Patrick Reilly for correction of an error in assessment.

Petition of Henry Lembeck for cancellation of tax sale.

All the above petitions were received and referred to the Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments.

#### PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS.

Claim of The Argus of \$33 for advertising sale of water scrip and printing manuals, pages 40 to 50.

Received and referred to the Committee on Finance and Claims.

Claim of Louisa Gardner of \$15 for fifteen days' services cleaning rooms in City Hall.

Received and referred to Committee on Salaries Taxes and Assessments.

#### OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS

Official bond of Richard Garrick as constable in the sum of \$1,000 with Joseph T Kelly and Thomas Lenahan as sureties.

Received and referred to Committee on Finance and Claims.

Itemized requisitions were received from the City Comptroller and City Collector, both of which were referred to the Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies with power.

Communication from M. C. Cleveland, agent for the collection of arrears of personal tax, showing amount collected for the week ending September 12th, 1883, to be \$323 28.

The communication was received and ordered filed.

The City Treasurer reported the following total balance credited to all the accounts in the city depositories at the close of business this day to be \$234,330.73.

Received and ordered filed.

The City Comptroller reported the following total receipts of the city Treasury September 20th to 26th, 1883, both days included, to be \$168,052 02.

On motion the report was received and laid on the table.

Resolution from the Board of Public Works requesting transfer of \$250 from the account of Reconstruction of Streets and Sewers to the account of streets and sewers fiscal year 1882-83, for the purpose of repairing steps at the foot of Franklin street.

Received and referred to the Committee on Finance and Claims.

The following concurrent resolutions were received from the Board of Public Works, and referred to the Committee on Concurrent resolutions:

1. Authorizing Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings to purchase for public school purposes the plot of ground situate on block 1366, plots 28 and 29, fronting on Danforth avenue and extending through Chestnut avenue.

2. Authorizing the Committee to lay water pipe in Leonard street from Central avenue to Summit avenue.

3. Two resolutions ordering paid certain claims.

On motion the Board took a recess.

The Board reassembled, all the members present.

On motion the Board returned to the order of presentation of petitions and communications.

Petition of R. B. Seymour to be admitted as a member of the Board of Finance and Taxation together with a certified copy of a resolution adopted by the Board of Aldermen Sept 11th, 1883, and the subsequent proceedings thereon in reference to the appointment of R. B. Seymour and Isaac Romaine as members of the Board of Finance and Taxation, together with a certification by the City Clerk that the said R. B. Seymour had qualified for said office in the manner required by law.

Received and referred to the Corporation Attorney.

On motion the Board returned to the regular order of business.

#### REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Concurrent Resolutions reported on concurrent resolutions from the Board of Public Works, recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works, Sept. 24th, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That by and with the concurrence of the Board of Finance and Taxation the Committee on Public Grounds and Buildings be and are hereby authorized to purchase for public school purposes the plot of ground situate on block 1366 plots 28 and 29, fronting on Danforth avenue and extending through to Chestnut avenue 100 feet in width front and rear and 233 feet deep at a cost not to exceed five thousand dollars (\$5,000), be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution, adopted by the Board of Public Works, Sept. 17, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That \$37 25 be paid to Pat'k O'Neill; \$7 50 to Sunday Tatler Publishing Company; \$90 to Joseph Saals; \$6 to Patrick Sherry; \$74 94 to Vanderbeek & Son; \$15 43 to L G Wilkins; \$15 to Spielman & Brush, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works Sept. 17, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That \$4, \$4, \$4 50, \$5 50, \$7 50 and \$2 50 be paid to the Jersey City Herald; \$7 25, \$5 25, \$5 25, \$4 25, \$4 25, \$3 25 to N. J. Frele Presse; \$3 50, \$17 50, \$3 50, \$3 50, \$1 and \$2 50 to J. B. McGowen, all charged to the improvements, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works October 23, 1882, to wit:

Resolved, That \$45 be paid to W. E. J. Saunders, V. S., for medical treatment to horses from March 1st to April 30th, 1882 be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

The same committee reported verbally, recommending that the following communications be placed on file:

1. Remonstrance of certain property owners along the line of the Bowers street sewer against the payment of the contractor for said improvement.

2. Communication from certain employees of the Board of Public Works, requesting concurrence in the pay-roll of said Board as presented by the Committee on Extensions and Distributions, for the months of November and December, 1882.

The President having called for the yeas and nays on each of the above resolutions, the reports of the committee were received and the resolutions and recommendations adopted unanimously.

The Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments reported the pay-roll for the month of September, 1883, recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That warrants be drawn for the payment of salaries for the month of September, 1883, when due, viz:

Isaac W. Tausig, Mayor \$168 66 Thomas Earle, City Treasurer \$200 30 Nelson, City Comptroller, \$200 James H. Love, City Collector, \$200 Leon Abbott, Corporation Counsel, \$333 33 Elijah T. Paxton, Corporation Attorney, \$150 John T. Van Cleaf, Clerk to Board of Finance and Taxation, \$100 Isaac Morrow Jr, Clerk to Treas-



suror, \$100 George R Hough, Clerk to Comptroller, \$100 Andrew D Whyte, Assistant Collector, \$110 Clerks to City Collector S D Dickinson \$83 J John T M Kaylar \$70 Lewis E Smith \$70 Wm H Tuttle \$70 Charles Krebs \$70 Charles Freeman \$70 James S Connolly \$70 Patrick O'Neill, Messenger \$80 William H Powell, Marshall Second District Court \$50 Clerks to City Clerk Thomas K Halstead \$75 W E McCreary \$75 & L Hudson \$66 66 Printing Minutes Tax Argus \$203 31 The Evening Journal Association \$209 31 Cleaning rooms in City Hall Elizabeth Lynch \$80 Bridge; Parker \$80.

The same Committee reported on salaries for the members of the Board of Finance and Taxation recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That warrants be drawn for the payment of salaries of the members of the Board of Finance and Taxation for the three months ending September 30th, 1883, when due, viz:

Marcus Beach President \$125 John D. McGill \$125 Simon H Smith \$125 Marnaduke Tilden \$125 O. J. Witsch \$125.

The same committee reported on petition of Jacob Weart, acting executor of estate of Mary E Sisson, deceased, recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he hereby instructed to receive from Jacob Weart, acting Executor of the estate of Mary E Sisson, deceased, or his representatives, the face value of the following assessments, without interest, all of which were confirmed in 1874.

Main sewer, section "A," Second Drainage District, Lots 10 to 25, both inclusive, Block 339.  
Main sewer, section "A," Second Drainage District, Lots 27 to 31, both inclusive, Block 339.  
Sewer in Woodward street, Lots 44 and 46, Block 339.

Improvement of Woodward street, Lots 44 and 46, Block 339.

Main sewer, Section "A," Second Drainage District, Lots 15 to 28, both inclusive, Block 341.

Main sewer, Section "A," Second Drainage District, Lots 31 to 35 both inclusive, Block 341.  
Sewer in Woodward street, Lots 37, 34 and 39, both inclusive, Block 341.

Sewer in Woodward street, Lots 44 to 47, both inclusive, Block 341.

Sewer in Woodward street, Lots 60 to 63, both inclusive, Block 341.

Improvement of Woodward street, Lot No. 35, Block 341.

Improvement of Woodward street, Lots 37 to 39 both inclusive, Block 341.

Improvement of Woodward street, Lots 44 to 46 both inclusive, Block 341.

Improvement of Woodward street, Lots 60 to 63 both inclusive, Block 341.

Main sewer, Section "A," Second Drainage District, Lots 1, 2, 3 and 4 Block 343.

Main sewer, section "A," Second Drainage District, plot on Grand street, belonging to the Sisson estate, Block 319.

Main sewer, Section "A," Second Drainage District, Lots 19 to 24, both inclusive, Block 307.

Main sewer, Section A, Second drainage district, lots 18 to 24, both inclusive, block 307.

Main sewer, Section A, Second drainage district, lots 17 to 22, both inclusive, block 306.

Main sewer, section B, Second drainage district, lots 17 to 22, block 306.

Main sewer, Sections A and B, assessor's No. 26 41, block 305, that part owned by the Sisson Estate.

Provided all other assessments and taxes due on said property are paid in full, with interest and costs, if any; and provided further, that said payments are made within sixty days from the date of the passage of this resolution, otherwise the resolution to be null and void and of no effect.

On petition of Henry Lambeck:

Resolved, That the City Clerk be and is hereby authorized, on the payment of \$50 by Henry Lambeck or his representative, to cancel the sale made of lots 16 and 19, block 144 fronting on the northerly side of Ocean avenue, about 11 feet north-easterly from Jackson place which was included in and sold as a certain tract of land on Bergen Point plank road, as-

sessed to the Hudson County Land and Improvement Company for the unpaid taxes of 1872. The said sum of \$50 being the apportioned amount of taxes due on said lots 16 and 19, block 144. The said Hudson County Land and Improvement Company agreeing to said release and cancellation of sale.

On petition of Patrick Reilly:

Resolved, That upon the payment to the City Treasurer by Patrick Reilly of the following amounts, with interest thereon at the rate of seven per cent per annum, from the 20th day of December of each year, and costs of advertising and sale, the City Clerk is hereby directed to cancel of record the sale made by the Corporation of Jersey City to the City Treasurer of part of lot 7 Wayne street, in block 308, for taxes of 1871, 1872 and 1873.

\$5 94 for 1873, advertising \$1, cost of sale 80 cents and advertising redemption \$1 80.

\$7 23 for 1872 advertising \$1, costs of sale 80 cents, and advertising redemption \$1 80.

\$5 85 for 1871, advertising \$1, cost of sale 80 cents said part of lot having been erroneously assessed for said years as to size and value.

On petition of W. Updye selover:

Resolved That the City Collector and City Clerk be and they are hereby directed to cancel of record on the books in their office the personal and poll tax assessed to Phillip Pabst for the years 1879, 1880, 1881 and 182, at No. 475 Monmouth street, lot No. 6, block 391, 3d District, as per certificate of the Assessor, the said Phillip Pabst, having removed from the State in 1878.

On petition of Henry A. Neilson:

Resolved, That the petition of Henry A. Neilson, per Webb & Matthews to have the valuation on lot part of 17 (south part) reduced from \$400 to \$200, be not granted, for the reason that your Committee find the petitioner is in error in saying that the north half of said plot is assessed at \$200 valuation, as the books in the City Collector's office show the valuation of said plot to be \$400.

The President having called for the yeas and nays on each of the above resolutions the reports of the committee were received and the resolutions adopted unanimously.

The Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies reported on claims, recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

The claim of Louisa Gardner:

Resolved, That the sum of \$15 be paid to Louisa Gardner for 15 days services in cleaning rooms in City Hall.

On claim of the Chelsea Ice Company:

Resolved, That the sum of \$13 25 be paid to the Chelsea Ice Company for ice furnished City Hall from May 27th to June 27th 1883.

The President having called for the yeas and nays on each of the above resolutions the reports of the committee were received and the resolutions adopted unanimously.

#### UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

By Mr. Smith and carried:

Moved, That the report of the City Comptroller showing the receipt of the City Treasurer for the week ending Sept. 26, 1883, be taken from the table and placed on file.

By Mr. Smith and carried:

Moved, That the communication from the Taxpayers Association of Greenville be taken from the table.

In connection therewith Mr. Smith offered following resolution which was adopted unanimously.

Resolved, That the communication and accompanying resolution from the Taxpayers Association of Greenville be received, spread at large on the minutes, placed on file and the Clerk be requested to convey, to the Association our thanks for their recommendation and endorsement of the settled and fixed policy of this Board in refusing to compromise any part of the principal interest of past due taxes.

The following is a copy of the resolution:

GREENVILLE, N. J., Sept 24, 1883.

To the Board of Finance of Jersey City.  
Gents—The following resolution was offered at our meeting last Wednesday evening and carried by a large majority:

Whereas it has come to the knowledge of





this association that many of our large property owners refuse to pay taxes when due, basing their refusal on the expectation that your Board will compromise the arrears by reducing the interest and penalty; therefore, be it

Resolved, That in our judgment the Board of Finance of our city, in justice to those that do pay, as well as to the credit of our city, should refuse all reductions whatever; also, that they should, through our representatives in the Legislature, effect such remedy to the laws as is necessary to complete sales for arrears, that the same may not be a useless threat.

Respectfully,

WM. H. ARMSTRONG,  
Corresponding Secretary,

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

By Mr. McGill:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of George H. Farrier, County Collector, for the sum of Ten Thousand dollars (\$10,000), on account of county tax, for the year 1882-83.

By Mr. Smith:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of James F. Gannon for the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500), being on account of his salary as Assessor of the First District of Jersey City for his official year, beginning April 1st, 1883.

By Mr. Smith:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Dennis McLaughlin for the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500),

being on account of his salary as Assessor of the second District of Jersey City for his official year, beginning April 1st, 1883.

By Mr. Smith:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Hugh Dugan for the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500), being on account of his salary as Assessor of the Third District of Jersey City for his official year, beginning April 1st, 1883.

By Mr. Smith:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of John Wright for the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500), being on account of his salary as Assessor of the Fourth District of Jersey City for his official year, beginning April 1st, 1883.

By Mr. Smith:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Francis W. Mitchell for the sum of five hundred (\$500) being on account of his salary as Assessor of the Fifth district of Jersey City for his official year beginning April 1, 1883.

By Mr. Smith:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of James C. Clarke for the sum of five hundred (\$500) dollars being on account of his salary as Assessor of the Sixth district of Jersey City for his official year beginning April 1, 1883.

The President having called for the ayes and nays on each of the above resolutions they were adopted unanimously.

On motion the Board adjourned.

JOHN T. VAN CLEEF, Clerk.



Regular meeting of the Board of Finance and Taxation held in the City Hall, Wednesday October 3rd, 1883, at 7 30 o'clock p. m.

Present—All the members.

On motion the reading of the minutes of the last regular meeting was dispensed with and they were approved as written.

#### PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS.

Communication from J W Bissel, Attorney, requesting payment of a judgment obtained in the case of John Matthews, vs the city.

The communication was received and referred to the Committee on Finance and Claims, Petition of Wm G Bumstead for compromise of taxes and assessments.

Petition of Randolph Farmley, attorney for the First Baptist Church for compromise of taxes and assessments.

Both the above petitions were received and referred to the Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments.

#### PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS.

Claim of Phillip B Martin of \$72 23 for new stoves and repairing the same at City Hall.

Claim of William Brabant of \$76 42 for carpet and oil cloth for office of Board of Finance and Taxation.

Claim of Jacob Reinhard of \$223 40 for 40 tons of coal delivered at City Hall.

All the above claims were received and referred to the Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies.

#### OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS

Menzes C. Cleveland, agent, for the collection of arrears of personal tax reported the following collection for the week ending Sept. 29, 1883 to be \$476 03.

The City Comptroller reported the following total receipts of the city Treasury September 27th to Oct 3, 1883, both days included, to be \$15,808 47.

The City Treasurer reported the following total balance credited to all the accounts in the city depositories at the close of business this day to be \$174,858 87.

All the above reports were received and ordered filed.

The following concurrent resolutions were received from the Board of Public Works and referred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions.

1. Pay-roll of the Committee on Water Rates and Assessments for the month of September, 1883, amounting to \$1220 02.

2. Pay-roll of the Committee on Extension and Distribution for the month of September, 1883, amounting to \$1407 44.

3. Extending the term of office of John Knoop, distributor of water bills, to December 1st, 1883.

4. Requesting concurrence in the appointment and payment of the claims of the water bill distributors.

5. Resolution ordering paid certain claims.

On motion the Board took a recess.

The Board reassembled, all the members present.

On motion the Board returned to the order of presentation of petitions and communications.

Petition of Isaac Romaine to be admitted as a member of the Board of Finance and Taxation, together with a certificate from the City Clerk showing that he had qualified for said office in the manner required by law.

Received and referred to the Corporation Attorney.

On motion the Board returned to the regular order of business.

#### REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Finance and Claims reported on the official bond of Richard Garrick as constable, recommending that the same be received spread-at-large on the bond book and filed.

The President having called for the ayes and nays on the above report it was received and the recommendation adopted unanimously.

The Committee on Concurrent Resolutions reported on concurrent resolutions from the

Board of Public Works, recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works, Sept. 24th, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That \$13 be paid to the Jordan Stationery Co.: \$100 to James Coyle, agent: \$182 20 to John Gardner, \$7 05 to Frank Beattie, \$19 98 to W. C Sites, \$325 12, \$329 49, \$341 37, \$339, \$335 46, \$346 82 \$340 83 and \$336 16 to H. F. Randolph, \$273 36 to Warren Foundry and Machine Co.; \$125 to Davenport, Treacy & Co.: \$11 35, \$4 80 and \$199 12 to Phillip E. Martin, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works Sept. 24, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That \$45 be paid to Joseph Sealr, \$11 to James H. Jones, \$118 83 to Warner & Carscallen, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works September 17th, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That by and with the concurrence of the Board of Finance and Taxation the report of the Committee on streets and Sewers, upon the petition and consent of H. S. Little, President of the Central Railroad Company of New Jersey, and F. B. Gowen, President of the Philadelphia and Reading Railroad Company, lessee of said Central Railroad Company of New Jersey, for the change of grade on Communipaw avenue between a point 150 feet east of the centre line of the Central Railroad of New Jersey at Communipaw avenue and a point 150 feet west of the said centre line of said railroad at Communipaw avenue, be and the same is hereby accepted by this Board which hereby declares that it favors said petition and the same is hereby referred to the Commissioners of Assessment, and the Chief Engineer, he being a discreet surveyor not interested in said improvement to be proceeded with according to law, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the pay roll resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works October 1, 1883, as presented by the Committee on Extensions and Distributions for the month of September, 1883, amounting to \$1407 44, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the pay roll resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works October 1, 1883, as presented by the Committee on Water Rates and Assessments for the month of September, 1883, amounting to \$1,220 02, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the pay roll resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works September 10, 1883, as presented by the Committee on Pumping and Reservoirs for Reservoir No. 2 for the month of August, 1883, amounting to \$348 12, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works October 1, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That by and with the concurrence of the Board of Finance and Taxation the term of office of John Knoop, appointed to distribute notices and bills for arrears of water rents, be and is hereby extended to the 1st day of December, 1883, at a salary of \$2 50 per day, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works October 1, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That by and with the concurrence of the Board of Finance and Taxation the appointment of the following named persons be confirmed and the several amounts due said persons for distributing water bills for the year 1883, be paid, viz:

John Grimes, \$77 50; J H Hyde, \$110; Washington Russel, \$70; George F Kraus, \$67 50; Jas. Savage, \$72 50; John G Wilson, \$62; be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.







Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of public Works, August 13th, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That by and with the concurrence of the Board of Finance and Taxation the Committee on Extensions and Distributions be and is hereby authorized to advertise for proposal for about 500 lengths of six inch cast iron water pipe according to specifications to be approved by this Board previous to advertising, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

The President having called for the yeas and nays on each of the above resolutions the reports of the committee were received and the resolutions adopted unanimously.

Resolved, That the resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works May 7th, 1883 accepting the report of the Committee on Streets and Sewers upon the application of Reuben Simpson and others for the improvement of Linden avenue from Bergen avenue (now Bergen road) to the right of way of the Central Railroad of New Jersey and authorizing the Commissioners of Assessment with the assistance of the Bureau of Survey to report the quantity and kind of excavation and filling and amount of work and materials necessary for the completion of said improvement and instructing the Clerk to advertise for proposals for doing such work and furnishing such material, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

The President having called for the yeas and nays on the above resolution the report of the committee was received and the resolution adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—Messrs Smith, Tilden and Witich.

Nays—President Beach and Mr McGill.

Resolved, That the resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works September 17, 1883, awarding the contract to Patrick O'Neill for the construction of a sewer in Laidlaw avenue, from Oakland avenue to a point 75 feet west of Palisade avenue. No objection having been offered to said improvement be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

The President having called for the yeas and nays on the above resolution the report of the Committee was received and the resolution adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—Messrs McGill, Smith, Tilden and Witich.

Nay—President Beach.

The Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments reported recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

On petition of Delavan De Long.

Resolved, That the City Collector be and is hereby requested and authorized to receive from Delavan De Long the taxes due on the real estate known as parts of lots 1 to 4, block 319, for the years 1881 and 1882, and to charge the personal taxes for said years to the owner, Mrs E L Cudlipp, the said Delavan De Long being the owner of the real estate only.

On petition of Adolph Luck:

Resolved, That the petition of Adolph Luck for compromise of taxes on lot 147, block 1273, Greenville, be not granted for the reason that this Board do not believe it to be for the best interest of the city to compromise taxes.

The President having called for the yeas and nays on each of the above resolutions the re-

ports of the committee were received and the resolutions and recommendations adopted unanimously.

The Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies reported on claims recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

On claim of Jacob Reinhard:

Resolved, That the sum of \$223 40 be paid to Jacob Reinhard for 40 tons of coal delivered at City Hall.

On claim of N J Telephone Company:

Resolved, That the sum of \$6 05 be paid to the N J Telephone Co for rent of instrument and tollage for the month of May, 1883.

On claim of the Jordan Stationery Co:

Resolved That the sum of \$193 50 be paid to the Jordan Stationery Co. for stationery furnished assessors.

The President having called for the yeas and nays on each of the above resolutions, the reports of the committee were received and the resolutions adopted unanimously.

#### MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

By Mr. Smith:

Whereas, Through the death of Samuel C. Nelson the city is without the service of a Comptroller and it being impossible under the law as it now exists for the duties of said office to be performed and considerable amount of business of importance having accumulated. Be it

Resolved, That Edward F C, Young be and he is hereby appointed the City Comptroller of Jersey City at a salary at the rate of \$2,400 per annum and that his bonds be fixed at \$50,000. The said Edward F. C. Young to give his written consent to perform the duties of said office for said compensation.

By Mr McGill:

Moved, That the resolution be amended by limiting the term of office of said Comptroller to 30 days.

The amendment having been put it was lost by the following vote on the call of the yeas and nays:

Yeas—Messrs. McGill and Witich.

Nays—President Beach, Messrs. Smith and Tilden.

The original resolution was then put, the yeas and nays having been called and was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—President Beach, Messrs. Smith and Tilden.

Nays—Messrs. McGill and Witich.

By Mr. McGill:

Whereas, This Board receives with profound regret and sorrow the sad tidings of the death of Samuel C. Nelson, Comptroller of Jersey City; therefore be it

Resolved, That the city losses in his death a faithful, valuable and efficient public servant, one who was preeminently distinguished by his conscientious fulfillment of the important duties intrusted to him

Resolved, That we extend to his bereaved family our heartfelt sympathy and condole with them in the great and irreparable loss they have sustained.

The President having called for the yeas and nays on the above resolution it was adopted unanimously.

On motion the Board adjourned.

JOHN T. VAN CLEEVE, Clerk.



Regular meeting of the Board of Finance and Taxation held in the City Hall, Wednesday October 10th, 1883, at 7 30 o'clock p. m.

Present—All the members.

On motion the reading of the minutes of the last regular meeting was dispensed with and they were approved as written.

#### PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS.

Petition of Webb & Matthews for Henry Nelson for correction of an error in taxes.

Petition of Wm G Humstead for compromise of taxes and assessments.

Petition of Terence O'Gorman for compromise of Assessments.

Petition of John Moran for compromise of assessments.

Petition of James Dunn for compromise of assessments.

All the above petitions were received and referred to the Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments.

#### OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

Requisition from the City Collector.

Received and referred to the Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies with power.

Official bond of R. F. O. Young as City Comptroller in the sum of \$50,000 with James L. Urden and William Brinkerhoff as sureties.

Received and referred to Committee on Finance and Claims.

Communication from the City Comptroller requesting the appointment of C. S. Westervelt as extra clerk.

Received and referred to the Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments.

Communication from Menzies C. Cleveland, agent, for the collection of arrears of personal tax showing the amount of arrears collected by him for the week ending October 6, 1883 to be \$169 17.

The communication was received and ordered filed.

The City Comptroller reported the following total receipts of the City Treasury, October 4 to 10, 1883, both days included at \$36,599 81

The City Treasurer reported the following total balance credited to all accounts in the city depositories at the close of business this day to be \$48,721 45.

Both the above reports were received and ordered filed.

Resolution from the Board of Public Works requesting transfer of \$100 from the account of reconstruction of streets and sewers to account of Public Buildings and Grounds fiscal year 1882-83, for the purpose of putting in sewer connections in Public School No. 10.

Received and referred to the Committee on Finance and Claims.

The following concurrent resolutions were received from the Board of Public Works and referred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions:

1. Pay roll of the Committee on Pumping and Reservoirs for the month of September, 1883, amounting to \$2,055 65.

2. Requesting concurrence of this Board in pay rolls of Committee on Extensions and Distributions for the months of November and December, 1882.

3. Ordering a warrant drawn for A. J. Banker for land purchased for school purposes.

4. Authorizing Committee to purchase and lay 110 feet of 6-inch water pipe in York street, from Monmouth to Brunswick street.

5. Authorizing Committee to purchase and lay about 200 feet of water pipe in Manhattan avenue from its present terminus to a point about 200 feet west thereof.

6. Improvement of Cottage street from Nelson avenue to Pennsylvania Railroad on application of John H. Moody and others.

7. Awarding contract to Patrick O'Neill for the construction of a sewer in Paterson street from Pearce avenue to Durham avenue.

8. Ordering paid claim of John Knoop of \$62 50 for distributing water blis for month of September, 1883.

9. Ordering paid certain claims.

On motion the Board took a recess.

The Board reassembled—all the members present.

#### REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Finance and Claims reported on resolution from the Board of Public Works requesting transfer recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the City Comptroller be and is hereby directed to transfer the sum of \$100 from the account of reconstruction of streets and sewers to the account of Public Grounds and buildings, Board of Public Works fiscal year 1882 and '83, for the purpose of putting in sewer connection at Public School No. 10, corner of Pearce avenue and Paterson street.

The same committee reported on claim of A. A. Clark for taxed costs, recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of A. A. Clark, attorney, for the sum of \$33 49, being taxed costs on discontinuance in the case of Andrew B. Gayle vs. The Mayor and Aldermen of Jersey City.

The same committee reported the official bond of Edward F. C. Young as City Comptroller, recommending that the same be received spread-at-large on the bond book and filed.

The President having called for the ayes and nays on each of the above resolutions the reports of the committee were received and the resolutions and recommendations adopted unanimously.

The Committee on Concurrent Resolutions reported on concurrent resolutions from the Board of Public Works, recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works, Aug. 6th, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That by and with the concurrence of the Board of Finance and Taxation the Committee on Extensions and Distributions be and is hereby authorized to purchase and lay about 350 linear feet of six inch water pipe in Garrison avenue from the end of the present pipe to Ship avenue, on petition of Charles J. McCaraghy and others.

Be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the pay roll resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works, October 8th, 1883, as presented by the Committee on Pumping and Reservoirs for the month of September, 1883, amounting to \$2,055 65, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works October 1st 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That \$450 be paid to Michael Mulery \$119 to John Cogan \$129 58 to Wood & Menagh \$27 34 to Daniel Davis \$45 90 to Thomas Howe \$29 63 to Warner & Carscallen \$5 to Patrick Sherry, \$27 5 to William Kapp \$19 60 to Vanderbeek & sons \$0 to Wood & Menagh \$27 72 to W N Hogan \$5 40 to W Wacknuser \$29 80 and \$38 to Daveport Treacy & Co, \$3 to Troy Rubber Stamp Works \$22 78 to Steele & Condit \$32 to the Argus \$210 25 to Terrance O'Brien, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

The President having called for the ayes and nays on each of the above resolutions, the reports of the committee were received and the resolutions adopted unanimously.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works October 8th, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That by and with the concurrence of the Board of Finance and Taxation the several amounts due and owing each person named on pay rolls of Extensions and Distributions for month of November, 1882, amounting in the aggregate to \$2,061 18. Also, pay-roll for month of December, 1882, amounting in the aggregate to \$2093 57 be paid.

Be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works June 23, 1883, accepting the report of the Committee on Streets and Sewers upon the application in writing of William J. Hutton and others for the construction of a 24 inch oval brick sewer in St. Pauls avenue from a point 100 feet east





of Central avenue to and connecting with the sewer in Central avenue, and requesting the Commissioners of Assessment, with the aid and assistance of the Bureau of Survey to make a report of the quantity and kind of excavation and filling and amount of work to be done and materials to be furnished for the making and completion of the said improvement and that upon the filing of such report the Clerk shall advertise for proposals for doing such work and furnishing such materials in the manner and for the length of time required by law, he and is hereby authorized in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

The President having called for the yeas and nays on both the above resolutions, they were adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—Messrs. McGill, Smith, Tilden and Witsch.

Nays—President Beach.

The Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments reported on communication from the City Comptroller requesting the appointment of an extra clerk recommending the adoption of the following resolution.

Resolved, That C. G. Westervelt be and he is hereby appointed an extra clerk in the City Comptroller's office, his term of office to begin October 15th 1883, and to continue for three months from said date at a salary at the rate of \$70 per month.

The President having called for the yeas and nays on the above resolution the report was received and the resolution adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—President Beach, Messrs. Smith and Tilden.

Nays—Messrs. McGill and Witsch.

The same Committee reported on petitions for compromise recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

On petition of McGill & Taylor, attorneys for Learned & Day, John Day and B. F. Britten:

Resolved, That on the application by petition of John Day, B. F. Britten, and Learned & Day, through their attorneys, McGill & Taylor, the assessments mentioned in their petitions be compromised as follows:

On payment of \$651 45 the City Collector is hereby authorized and directed to cancel and receipt in full for the following assessments against lots 4 and 5, block 194, to wit:

Main sewer, Section "A" Second Drainage District.

Main sewer, Section "B" Second Drainage District.

Sewer in Britten street, Fairmount avenue to Westview avenue.

On payment of \$381 79 the City Collector is hereby authorized and directed to cancel and receipt in full for the following assessments against lot 4, block 193, to wit:

Main sewer, Section "A" Second Drainage District.

Main sewer, Section "B" Second Drainage District.

Sewer in Britten street, Fairmount to Westview avenue.

On payment of \$383 30 the City Collector is hereby authorized and directed to cancel and receipt in full for the following assessments against lot 2, block 193, to wit:

Main sewer, Section "A" Second Drainage District.

Main sewer, Section "B" Second Drainage District.

Sewer in Britten street, Fairmount to Westview avenue.

On payment of \$420 96 the City Collector is hereby authorized and directed to cancel and receipt in full for the following assessments against lot 3, block 193, to wit:

Main sewer, section "A" Second Drainage District.

Main sewer, Section "B" Second Drainage District.

Sewer in Britten street, Fairmount to Westview avenue.

On payment of \$325 73 the City Collector be and is hereby authorized and directed to can-

cel and receipt in full for the following assessments against lot 6, block 194, to wit:

Main sewer, Section "A" Second Drainage District.

Main sewer, Section "B," Second drainage district.

Sewer in Britten street, Fairmount to Westview avenue.

Provided all other assessments and taxes due on said property are paid in full, with interest and costs, if any; and provided further that said payments are made within sixty days from the date of the passage of this resolution, otherwise the resolution to be null et void and of no effect whatever.

On petition of the first Baptist Church:

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby directed to receive from the First Baptist Church of Jersey City, or their representative the face value of the following assessment:

On lots 1 and 2, block 410, without any interest, sewer in South Seventh st., Newark ave. to Brunswick st., confirmation approved Sept. 12th, 1870..... \$ 62 48

Provided all other assessments and taxes due on said property are paid in full, with interest and costs, if any; and provided further that said payments are made within sixty days from the date of the passage of this resolution, otherwise the resolution to be null et void and of no effect whatever.

On petition of Emory M. R. Church:

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby directed to receive from Emory M. R. Church, or its representative, the face value of the following assessments, without any interest, to wit:

Grading, &c., Breen avenue, from Newark and New York Plank Road to N. J. R. R., lots 5 B, 8 B, 6 B and 8 B, block 278, confirmation approved March 17, 1871..... \$345 40

Grading Belmont avenue, lots 5 and 6, block 278, reconfirmation approved June 18, 1874..... 343 17

Main sewer, section "A," Second Drainage District, lots assessor's No. 1610, block 278, confirmed Feb'y 26, 1874..... 131 90

Improvement West Grand street, pile foundation, &c., lots assessor's No. 1610 and 3262, block 278, reconfirmed May 20, 1874..... 43 79

Provided all other assessments and taxes due on said property are paid in full, with interest and costs if any; and provided further that said payments are made within sixty days from the date of the passage of this resolution, otherwise this resolution to be null et void and of no effect.

On petition of William G. Rumstead:

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby directed to receive from William G. Rumstead or his representative the face value of the following assessments on Lot par. 3 B, Block 634, without any interest:

Lateral sewer in Park street or Virginia avenue from Ocean to Jackson avenues, confirmation approved June 29, 1871..... \$170 53

Improvement of West Grand street pile foundation, etc., etc., confirmation approved May 20th 1874..... 11 63

Main sewer, First Drainage District, confirmed February 28th, 1874..... 38 92

Provided that all other assessments and taxes due on said property are paid in full with interest and costs, if any, and provided further that said payments are made within sixty days from the date of the passage of this resolution, otherwise the resolution to be null et void and of no effect whatever.

The President having called for the yeas and nays on each of the above resolutions, the reports of the committee were received and the resolutions adopted unanimously.

#### MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

On motion the Board adjourned.

JOHN T. VAN CLEEF, Clerk.



Regular meeting of the Board of Finance and Taxation held in the City Hall, Wednesday October 17th, 1883, at 7:30 o'clock p. m.

Present—All the members.

On motion the reading of the minutes of the last regular meeting was dispensed with and they were approved as written.

#### PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS.

Petition of David S. Paige to have a duplicate assessment for taxes cancelled.

Petition of David S. Paige for compromise of assessments.

Petition of J. E. Andrews for the return of money paid in error on taxes.

Petition of Charles E. Gregory and others, executors of Dudley S. Gregory, deceased, for compromise of assessments.

All the above petitions were received and referred to the Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments.

#### PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS.

Claim of the New York and New Jersey Telegraph Company of \$18 55, for rent of instrument from October 1st, 1883, to January 1st, 1884, and tollage from June 20th to September 20th.

Claim of Clarke & Walter of \$371 27 for stationery furnished City Collector's office.

Claim of P. M. Hall of \$25 50 for chairs furnished offices in City Hall.

All the above claims were received and referred to the Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies.

#### OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

An order issuing out of the New Jersey Supreme Court, June Term, 1883, in which the State on Relation of George H. Farrier, County Collector of the County of Hudson, is plaintiff, and The Mayor and Aldermen of Jersey City, The Board of Finance and Taxation of Jersey City, James H. Love, Collector of Taxes of Jersey City, and Thomas Earle, City Treasurer of Jersey, are defendants, on rule to show cause before the Supreme Court of Judicature of the State of New Jersey, at the State House in the City of Trenton, on the first Wednesday of November next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon of that day, why a peremptory writ of mandamus should not issue compelling them to pay over all arrearages for state and County taxes; also all arrearages of interest thereon.

Received and referred to the Corporation Attorney.

The City Treasurer reported the following to tal balance credited to all the accounts in the city depositories at the close of business this day at \$145,060 41.

The City Comptroller reported the following to tal receipts of the City Treasury October 17th to 17th, both days included at \$17 870 04.

Both reports were received and ordered filed.

Communication from Menzes C. Cleveland, agent, for the collection of arrears of personal tax showing the total amount of arrears collected by him for the week ending October 13, 1883, to be \$229 61.

The communication was received and filed.

The following concurrent resolutions were received from the Board of Public Works and referred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions.

1. Requesting concurrence in the claims of Patrick McLaughlin for the months of April, May and June, 1883.

2. Requesting concurrence in the appointment of Inspectors on waterphone and ordering paid claims of Inspectors for services rendered.

3. Requesting concurrence in the appointment of Francis Whelan as extra clerk at a salary of \$70 per month.

4. Improvement of the south half of Grand street from the west side of Grove street to the east side of Jersey avenue.

5. Construction of a sewer in St. Pauls avenue from Oakland avenue to a point 75 feet west of Palisade avenue.

Ordering paid claims of Francis Whelan of \$229 03 for services as extra clerk from March 27th to September 30th, 1883.

7. Ordering paid miscellaneous claims.

On motion the Board took a recess.  
The Board reassembled—all the members present.

#### REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Concurrent Resolutions reported on concurrent resolutions from the Board of Public Works recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works Jan 29, 1883 to wit:

Whereas, The duties of the Reservoir Keeper have never been defined by this Board, therefore

Resolved, That hereafter the Reservoir Keeper shall be the custodian of all supplies, etc., to be received at high service pumping station and distributing reservoirs said reservoir keeper shall not furnish any supplies or materials to any employe or other person without taking a receipt therefor. All orders for supplies, etc., to be applied for through him and submitted to the Chief Engineer and to be concurred in by the Board of Public Works before purchase thereof, and further

Resolved, That the Janitor employed in the high service department shall be subordinate and subject to the direction of the said reservoir keeper, and be in further

Resolved, That by and with the concurrence of the Board of Finance and Taxation the said reservoir keeper be and is hereby required to furnish bonds in the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) for the faithful performance of his duties, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works Oct. 8, 1883 to wit:

Resolved, That \$62 50 be paid to John Knoop for services distributing notices and bills for arrears of water rents in month of September, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution, adopted by the Board of Public Works Sept. 10th, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That the sum of \$325 91 be paid to Wood & Menagh for hardware, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution, adopted by the Board of Public Works Oct. 8th, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That \$10 be paid to F. J. Butler, \$39 and \$25 to the Argus, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution, adopted by the Board of Public Works Oct. 8th, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That \$1 87 be paid to F. A. Smith, \$147 45 to James Donald & Co., \$18 to John Cogan, \$32 50 to Thomas Whyte, \$35 74 to Michael Shaughnessy, \$30 to Henry Mehran, \$150 60 to Dennis O'Donovan, \$159 17 to Wood & Menagh, \$230 50 to Jordan Stationery Company, \$88 to F. Porret's Sons, \$93 80 to Henry Thompson, \$8 45 to E. S. Jackson, \$12 20 to Phillip E. Martin, \$1 82 to Vanderbeek & Sons, \$9 60 to Phillip E. Martin, \$9 to H. J. Callo, \$36 88 to J. C. Gas Light Co., \$14 15 to F. A. Smith, \$ 0 50 to R. H. McFarland, \$11 35 to F. A. Smith, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

The President having called for the ayes and nays on each of the above resolutions, the reports of the committee were received and the resolutions adopted unanimously.

Resolved, That the following resolution, adopted by the Board of Public Works October 8th, 1883, awarding contract to Patrick O'Neill for the construction of a sewer in Patterson street, from Pearce avenue to Durham avenue, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works August 13, 1883, accepting the report of the Committee on Streets and Sewers, upon the application in writing of Thomas O'Connor and others for the improvement of Sixteenth street from Henderson street to Jersey avenue, determining to make said improvement unless a remon-





strance shall be presented, signed by the owners of property liable to more than one-half the assessment, and instructing the Commissioners of Assessments, with the aid and assistance of the Bureau of Survey, to make and report an estimate of the quantity and kind of excavation and filling and the amount of work to be done, and that upon the filing of such report the clerk to advertise for proposals for doing such work and furnishing such materials in manner and for the length of time required by law be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

The President having called for the yeas and nays on both of the above resolutions the report of the Committee were received and the resolutions adopted by the following vote:

Yea,—Messrs. McGill, Tilden and Witsch.

Nays—President Beach and Mr Smith.

The Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments reported on petition for compromise of assessments recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

On petition of Terence O'Gorman.

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby directed to receive from Terence O'Gorman or his representative the face value of the following assessments on lot 1, block 421, without interest, to wit:

Main sewer Section A, Second Drainage District.....	\$4 48
Sewer in Bergen Point Plank Road, Colden place and Sherman.....	61 09
Improvement of West Grand street, pile foundation.....	9 67
Widening Communipaw avenue or Harrison avenue, Bergen avenue to Halladay street.....	188 92
Improvement Bergen Point Plank Road Grand street to N. and N. Y. R. R.....	619 97

Provided all other assessments and taxes due said property are paid in full with interest and costs if any and provided further that said payments are made within sixty days from the date of the passage of this resolution, otherwise the resolution to be null et void and of no effect whatever.

On petition of James Dunn:

Resolved. That the City Collector be and he is hereby directed to receive from James Dunn or his representatives the face value of the following assessments on lots parts 20 and 21, block 427 without interest.

Sewer in Wayne street west end.... \$89 48  
Provided all other assessments and taxes due on said property are paid in full with interest and costs if any and provided further that said payments are made within sixty days from the date of the passage of this resolution otherwise the resolution to be null et void and of no effect.

On petition of John Moran:

Resolved. That the City Collector be and he is hereby directed to receive from John Moran or his representatives the face value of the following assessments without interest to wit: Grading Van Winkle avenue, lots 20 and

19, block 160..... \$229 67  
Grading Grand avenue, lot 20, block 160. 257 97

Provided that all other assessments and taxes due on said property are paid in full with interest and costs if any and provided further that said payments are made within sixty days from the date of the passage of this resolution; otherwise the resolution to be null et void and of no effect.

The President having called for the yeas and nays on each of the above resolutions the reports of the committee were received and the resolutions adopted unanimously.

#### MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

By Mr. Smith:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Menzies C. Cleveland for the sum of \$35 in full as agent for the collection of personal taxes from sept. 17 to Oct. 1st, 1883.

The President having called for the yeas and nays on the above resolution it was adopted unanimously.

On motion the Board adjourned.

JOHN T. VAN CLEEF, Clerk.



Regular meeting of the Board of Finance and Taxation held in the City Hall, Wednesday October 24th, 1883, at 7:30 o'clock p. m.

Present—All the members.

On motion the reading of the minutes of the last regular meeting was dispensed with and they were approved as written.

#### PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS.

Claim of The Arzua of \$14 for printing manuals, pages 90 to 16, both inclusive.

Claim of Heppenheimer & Mauzer of \$801.75 for official printing.

Claim of the N. J. Telephone Co. of \$24.90 for rent of instrument and tollage from June 1st to October 1st, 1883.

All the above claims were received and referred to the Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies.

#### OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS

Itemized requisition from the City Clerk for printing.

Received and referred to the Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies with power.

Communication from Menzes C. Cleveland, agent, for the collection of arrears of personal tax showing the total amount of arrears collected by him for the week ending October 20, 1883 to be \$122.21.

The communication was received and ordered filed.

The City Treasurer reported the following total balance credited to all the accounts in the city depositories at the close of business this day at \$294,346.19.

The City Comptroller reported the following to all receipts of the City Treasury October 18th to 25th, both days included at \$153,510.02.

Both the above reports were received and ordered filed.

Resolution from the Board of Police Commissioners requesting transfer of \$400 from the account of the Committee on Lamps and Lights to the credit of the Committee on Hospitals and Dispensaries for the month of November, 1883.

Resolution from the Board of Public Works requesting transfer of \$150 from the appropriation for reconstruction of streets and sewers to the appropriation for streets and sewers fiscal year 1882-83 for the purpose of repairing Summit avenue.

Both the above resolutions were referred to the Committee on Finance and Claims.

The following concurrent resolutions were received from the Board of Public Works and referred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions:

1. Awarding contract to P. J. McKenna for furnishing and delivering 500 lengths of six-inch cast-iron water pipe at \$31 per gross ton of 2,240 lbs.

2. Ordering paid claims of James Coyle, agent for coal delivered at Belleville and High service.

3. Ordering paid certain claims.

On motion the Board took a recess.

The Board re-assembled, all the members present.

#### REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Finance and Claims reported on resolution from the Board of Police Commissioners requesting transfer, recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the City Comptroller be and is hereby instructed to transfer the sum of \$400 from the account of Lamps and Lights, month of November, 1882, to the account of Hospitals and Dispensaries, same month, Board of Police Commissioners, fiscal year of 1882-83.

The same committee reported on resolution from the Board of Public Works, recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the City Comptroller be and is hereby instructed to transfer the sum of \$150 from the account of Reconstruction of Streets and Sewers to the account of Streets and Sewers Board of Public Works fiscal year 1882 and '83 for the purpose of repairing Summit avenue from Sipp avenue to Wayne street.

The President having called for the ayes and nays on each of the above resolutions, the reports of the committee were received and the resolutions adopted unanimously.

The Committee on Concurrent Resolutions reported on concurrent resolutions from the Board of Public Works recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the following resolution, adopted by the Board of Public Works Oct. 8th, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That by and with the concurrence of the Board of Finance and Taxation the Committee on Extension and Distributions be and is hereby authorized to purchase and lay about 110 lineal feet of six-inch water pipe in York street, from Monmouth to Brunswick street on petition of William Deutschman, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution, adopted by the Board of Public Works Oct. 15th, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That by and with the concurrence of the Board of Finance and Taxation, the appointment of James Howell, Peter McGowan and Edward Wayne as Inspectors on Water-phones, be and is hereby confirmed; and further:

Resolved, That the sum of \$45 be paid to James Howell for 15 days services as Inspector with waterphone; \$45 to Peter McGowan for 15 days services with waterphone; \$45 to Edward Wayne for 15 days services with waterphone. be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution, adopted by the Board of Public Works, Oct. 15, 1883 to wit:

Resolved, That the Board of Finance and Taxation be and is hereby requested to concur in the resolution adopted by this Board on the 16th day of July 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That \$47.66 be paid to Patrick McLaughlin for services as helper to Tapper in April 1883, \$65.00 for month of May, 1883, and \$65.00 for month of June, 1883. Be, and is hereby concurred in the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works Oct. 15, 1883 to wit:

Resolved, That by and with the concurrence of the Board of Finance and Taxation, Francis Whelan be, and is hereby confirmed as extra clerk in the Water Department, at a salary of \$70.00 per month. Be, and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution, adopted by the Board of Public Works Oct. 15th, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That \$429.03 be paid to Francis Whelan for services as extra clerk in Water Department from March 27 to September 30, 1883, inclusive. Be, and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution, adopted by the Board of Public Works, October 15th, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That \$136.30 be paid to Warner & Carsoslen, \$15.71 to Davenport, Treacy & Co., \$23.25, to M. Madden, \$16.82, to Edward Jones, \$451.00, and \$19.85 to National Meter Co., be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

The President having called for the yeas and nays on each of the above resolutions the reports of the Committee, were received and the resolutions adopted unanimously.

The Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments reported recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

On petition of Charles E. Gregory, et al's:  
Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby directed to receive from Charles E. Gregory et al's, or their representatives the face value of the following assessments without interest, to wit:

Widening Montgomery street, Jersey avenue to Mill Creek, lots 88, 90, 93 and 14, block 189, reconstruction approved June 2d, 1874..... \$275 08  
Widening Montgomery street Jersey avenue to Mill Creek lots 18, 20, 21, 22 and 23, block 134, reconstruction approved June 2d, 1874..... \$312 35  
Provided all other assessments and taxes due on said property are paid in full with interest and costs if any and provided further that said





payments are made within sixty days from the date of the passage of this resolution otherwise the resolution to be null and void of no effect.

On petition of William G. Fumsted.

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby directed to receive from William G. Fumsted or his representatives the face value of the following assessments on lot 5, block 634, without interest to wit being confirmed in 1874.

Improvement West Grand street plie  
Foundation..... \$22 91  
Lateral sewer in Park street or Virginia  
Avenue, Ocean to Jackson avenue.... 335 98  
Main sewer First Drainage District.... 73 67  
Provided that all other assessments and  
taxes due on said property are paid in full with  
interest and costs if any and provided further  
that said payments are made within sixty  
days from the date of the passage of this reso-  
lution, otherwise the resolution to be null and  
void and of no effect.

On petition of J. E. Andrews

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the  
City Treasurer in favor of J. E. Andrews for  
the sum of \$147, being a duplicate payment  
on lots 27 and 28, block 56, taxes of 1882, and  
that the City Collector be notified.

The President having called for the yeas and  
nays on each of the above resolutions the re-  
ports of the committee were received and the  
resolutions adopted unanimously.

The Committee on Printing, Stationery and  
Supplies reported on claim of Clarke & Walter  
recommending the adoption of the following  
resolution:

Resolved, That the sum of \$371 27 be paid to  
Clarke & Walter for stationery furnished City  
Collector's office.

The President having called for the yeas and  
nays on the above resolution the report of the  
committee was received and the resolution  
adopted unanimously.

#### MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

By Mr. McGILL:

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn  
upon the City Treasurer in favor of that officer  
as follows, to be deposited in the Hudson  
County National Bank to the credit of Novem-  
ber, 1883, interest account:

On general account..... \$31,150 00  
On general account to pay interest on  
assessment bonds..... 55,898 17  
On assessment account..... 29,011 83  
On water account..... 31,295 10

By Mr. McGILL:

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn  
upon the City Treasurer in favor of that officer  
for the sum of \$30,000, to transfer that amount

from general account to assessment account  
as a loan.

By Mr. McGILL:

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn  
upon the City Treasurer in favor of that officer  
for the sum of \$10,000, to transfer that amount  
from general account to water account as a  
loan.

The President having called for the yeas and  
nays on the above resolutions they were  
adopted unanimously.

By Mr. McGILL:

Whereas from the position of honor and trust  
accorded to the Board of Finance and Taxa-  
tion it should always be the first of the city  
Boards to afford good example in municipal  
matters, especially by the correction and pre-  
vention of abuses, if any exists or are likely to  
exist under the department under its control;  
and

Whereas, It is well known that the City Col-  
lector derives a lucrative income from fees for  
so called "tax searches." There being no legal  
perquisite attached to the office of Collector,  
the imposition of a fee for a "tax search" is  
without warrant or authority of law; and

Whereas, The City Collector and the clerks  
in his office are paid regular monthly salaries  
to perform certain and particular work during  
regularly stipulated hours, the city being en-  
titled to their individual time and services;  
and

Whereas, The City Collector and his corps of  
clerks are in the habit of making so-called  
"tax searches" during the time for which  
they are paid by the city; therefore be it

Resolved, That this Board does not recognize  
the right of the City Collector or that of any  
other regularly salaried city official or em-  
ployee to any official perquisite whatever; that  
any emolument that arises from a city office  
de jure belongs to the city, and under no cir-  
cumstances can it be honestly converted to the  
private use of an officeholder; that the em-  
ployment of clerks hired by the city in the Col-  
lector's office at any other than their legiti-  
mate work is deserving of censure by this  
Board, and reprehensible to the highest de-  
gree; and be it further

Resolved, That the City Collector and the  
Clerks in his office under city pay be hereafter  
strictly forbidden during regular office hours  
from making tax searches or doing any other  
work than that which legitimately pertains to  
their office

The resolution was seconded, and on motion  
it was laid on the table.

On motion the Board adjourned.

JOHN T. VAN CLEEVE, Clerk.



Regular meeting of the Board of Finance and Taxation held in the City Hall, Wednesday October 31st, 1883, at 7:30 o'clock p. m.

Present—All the members.

On motion the reading of the minutes of the last regular meeting was dispensed with and they were approved as written.

#### PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS.

Petition of the Equitable Life Assurance Society for compromise of assessments.

Petition of Harriet A. Evens for compromise of assessments.

Petition of Mary Archer for the return of money paid in error on water rents.

All the above petitions were received and referred to the Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments.

#### PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS.

Claim of Chelsea Ice Co., of \$1235 for ice furnished City Hall from September 27th to October 27th, 1883. Claim of William Braband of \$109.43 for carpet and chairs furnished office of the Board of Finance and Taxation. Claim of the Jersey City Gas Light Company of \$64.95 for gas furnished City Hall from July 1st to October 1st, 1883.

All the above claims were received and referred to the Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies.

Claim of Elijah T. Paxton of \$110.02 for disbursements as Corporation Attorney from July 1st to October 31st, 1883.

Received and referred to the Committee on Finance and Claims.

#### OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

Itemized requisitions were received from the City Treasurer, City Collector, and Janitrix, all of which were referred to the committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies with power.

Menzies C. Cleveland, agent for the collection of arrears of Personal Tax, reported the receipts for the week ending October 27th, 1883, to be \$387.73.

The City Collector reported the receipt of the following assessment maps for collection:

Sewer in Bleeker street, Pearce to Passaic..... \$4,670 00

Improvement of Washington street, Grand to Essex..... 3,161 62

Main sewer, Pearce, south and Summit avenues Congress to Bowers.... 14,067 30

The City Comptroller reported the following to all receipts of the City Treasury October 25th to 31st 1883, both days included at \$24,432.14.

The City Treasurer reported the following total balance credited to all the accounts in the city depositories at the close of business this day to be \$163,804.93.

All the above reports were received and ordered filed.

Resolution from the Board of Public Works requesting transfer of \$150 from account of Reconstruction of Streets and Sewers to account of Streets and Sewers, fiscal year 1882-83, for the purpose of repairing West Side avenue.

Received and referred to the Committee on Finance and Claims.

The following concurrent resolutions were received from the Board of Public Works and referred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions:

1. Pay-roll resolution of the Committee on Water Rates and Assessments for the month of October, 1883 amounting to \$1,800.02.

2. Appointment of Edward Cooley as Engineer, in charge at High Service pumping station, at an increased salary of \$10 per month.

3. Order that paid certain claims.

On motion the Board took a recess.

The Board re-assembled, the same members present.

#### REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Concurrent Resolutions reported on concurrent resolutions from the Board of Public Works recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the following resolution, adopted by the Board of Public Works, Oct. 15, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That by and with the concurrence of the Board of Finance and Taxation, and approval of the Mayor and Aldermen, the report of the Committee on Streets and Sewers, upon the application in writing of Thomas Smith and others, presented to this Board on the 8th day of October, 1883, for the construction of a sewer in St. Paul's avenue, from Oakland avenue to a point 75 feet west of Pallisade avenue, be and is hereby accepted by this Board, which hereby declares its determination to make said improvement unless at or before the time hereafter to be appointed for hearing parties in relation thereto, a remonstrance shall be presented to this Board signed by the owners of property liable to more than one-half the assessment therefor, and that the Commissioners of assessment with the aid and assistance of the Bureau of Survey be and are hereby directed to make and report to this Board an estimate of the quantity and kind of excavation and filling and amount of work to be done, and of the material to be furnished for the making and completion of the said improvement, and that upon the filing of such report the clerk of this Board shall advertise for proposals for doing such work and furnishing such materials in the manner and for the length of time required by law, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

The yeas and nays having been called the report of the Committee was received and the resolution adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—Messrs. McGill, Smith, Tilden and Witcomb.

Nay—President Beach.

Resolved, That the pay roll resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works, October 29, 1883, as presented by the Committee on Water Rates and Assessments for the month of October 1883, amounting to \$1,800.02, be, and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution, adopted by the Board of Public Works, Oct. 23d, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That \$12.60 be paid to the Evening Journal Association; \$4.50 to John Hogan, \$3.65 to N. J. Frele Presse, \$4 to Patrick Sherry, \$10, \$17.50, \$20, \$20, \$20, \$22.50, \$30 and \$32.50 to Evening Journal Association, \$5.35 and \$7.25 to N. J. Frele Presse, \$31 to John G. Gopsill, \$6 to Albert Datz, \$3.25 to N. J. Frele Presse, \$47.20 to John A. Wheelan, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

The yeas and nays having been called on the above resolutions the reports were received and the resolutions adopted unanimously.

The Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments reported the salary list for the month of October, 1883, recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn for the payment of salaries for the month of October, 1883, when due, viz:

Isaac W. Taussig, Mayor.....	\$168 68
Thomas Earle, City Treasurer.....	20 00
S. C. Nelson, City Comptroller, 3 days....	20 00
Edward E. C. Young, City Comptroller, 27 d. 1883.....	180 00
James H. L. Vre, City Collector.....	200 00
Leon Abbott, Corporation Counsel.....	\$33 83
Elijah T. Paxton, Corporation Attorney.....	150 00
John T. Van Clee, Clerk of Board of Finance and Taxation.....	170 00
Isaac Morrow, Jr., Clerk to Treasurer....	100 00
George R. Hough, Clerk to Comptroller.....	100 00
Andrew D. Whyte, Assistant Collector.....	110 00
Clerks to Collector.....	1
S. D. Dickinson.....	83 33
John T. M. Kaylar.....	70 00
Lewis E. Smith.....	70 00
Charles Krebs.....	70 00
William H. Tuttle.....	70 00
Charles Freeman.....	70 00
James G. Connolly.....	70 00
Patrick O'Neill, Messenger.....	60 00
William H. Powell, Marshal 23 District Court.....	50 00
C. H. Westervelt, Clerk to Comptroller, 15 d. 1883.....	35 00
Menzies C. Cleveland, agent for the collection of arrears of personal tax.....	75 00





## Clerks to City Clerk—

Thomas K. Haistead.....	75 00
N. E. Feury.....	75 00
K. L. Hudson.....	66 66

## Printing minutes—

The Argus.....	208 83
The Evening Journal Association... ..	208 83

## Cleaning rooms in City Hall—

Elizabeth Lynch.....	30 00
Bridget Parker.....	30 00

The ayes and nays having been called the report was received and the resolution adopted unanimously.

## MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

By Mr McGill:

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to investigate the collection of fees for tax searches by the City Collector.

The resolution was, on motion of Mr. Smith, laid on the table by the following vote:

Yeas—President Beach, Messrs. Smith and Tilden.

Nays—Messrs. McGill and Witsch.

On motion the Board adjourned.

JOHN T. VAN CLEEF, Clerk.



Regular meeting of the Board of Finance and Taxation held in the City Hall, Wednesday November 7th, 1883, at 7.30 o'clock p. m.  
Present—President Beach, Messrs. McGill, Smith and Tilden.

Absent—Mr. Witsch.

On motion the reading of the minutes of the last regular meeting was dispensed with and they were approved as written.

#### PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS.

Petition of Rudolph Gr. schal for rebate on assessments.

Received and referred to the Corporation Counsel.

Petition of William Madigan for compromise of taxes and assessments.

Petition of J. Coffin, agent of the New England Transportation Company requesting cancellation of personal tax.

All the above petitions were received and referred to the Committee on salaries, Taxes and Assessments.

Communication from A. H. Ross requesting the Board to concur in the claim of James Coyle, agent for coal delivered at Belleville.

Received and referred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions.

#### PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS.

Claim of B. F. Corduan of \$1.50 for repainting lock on office door.

Received and referred to the Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies.

#### OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

Official bond of Michael Nugent as Reservoir Keeper in the sum of \$1,000, with Patrick H. Nugent and John M. Carty as sureties.

Received and referred to the Committee on Finance and Claims.

Menzies C. Cleveland, agent for the collection of arrears of Personal Tax, reported the receipts for the week ending October 31st, 1883, to be \$258.5.

The City Comptroller reported the following receipts of the City Treasury Nov 1st to 7th, 1883, both days included, at \$4,879.50.

The City Treasurer reported the following total balance credited to all the accounts in the City Depositories at the close of business this day to be \$23,916.18.

Communication from the City Collector showing the receipt of the following assessment paid for collection:

Improvement of Jackson avenue from Communipaw to N and N Y R.R. amounting to \$18,156.61.

All the above reports were received and ordered filed.

The following concurrent resolutions were received from the Board of Public Works and referred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions:

1. Pay roll of the Committee on Extension and Distributions for the month of Oct, 1883, amounting to \$308.70.

2. Pay roll of the Committee on Pumping and Reservoirs for the month of October, 1883, amounting to \$280.70.

3. Authorizing committee to lay water pipe in York street from Monmouth to Brunswick and in Brunswick from York to Bright street.

4. Authorizing committee to lay water pipe in Nelson avenue from Bleeker street to a point 350 feet north thereof.

5. Authorizing committee to lay water pipe in Pearson street from Pearce avenue to a point 375 feet west thereof.

6. Ordering paid certain claims.

On motion the Board took a recess.

#### REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Finance and claims reported on judgment claim of John Mathews recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of J. W. Bissell, attorney for John Mathews, for the sum of \$75.59, in full settlement of a certain judgment and costs, obtained in the District Court of Jersey City before A. L. McDermott, Judge.

The same committee reported on the official bond of Michael Nugent as reservoir keeper,

recommending that the same be spread at large on the bond book and filed.

The President having called for the ayes and nays the reports of the Committee were received and the resolution and recommendation adopted by the following vote:

Ayes—President Beach, Messrs. McGill, Smith and Tilden.

Absent—Mr. Witsch.

The Committee on Concurrent Resolutions reported on concurrent resolution from the Board of Public Works, recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the following resolution, adopted by the Board of Public Works, Oct. 29, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That by and with the concurrence of the Board of Finance and Taxation, Edward Cooley, engineer at high service be made engineer-in-charge at that station with an increase in salary of \$10 per month, he and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Mr. McGill moved that the resolution be laid over for further examination.

The motion not being seconded, the original resolution was put and carried by the following vote:

Yeas—President Beach, Messrs. Smith and Tilden.

Nay—Mr. McGill.

Resolved, That the pay roll resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works Nov. 5th, 1883, as presented by the Committee on Extension and Distribution for the month ending October 31, 1883, amounting to \$1,895.68, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the pay roll resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works, November 5, 1883 as presented by the Committee on Pumping and Reservoirs for the month of October, 1883 amounting to \$2,680.70, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution, adopted by the Board of Public Works, Oct. 29, 1883, to wit:

Resolved That \$7 and \$5 be paid to the J C Herald, \$14.70 to The Argus, \$3.50 to the J C Herald, \$1.60 to W W O'Shea, \$1.64 and \$7.07 to John Gardner, \$26.25 to H H Worthington, \$7.50 to John Cogan, \$43.82 to Wood & Menagh, \$81.45 to The Herald & Co., \$183.33 to Wood & Menagh, \$100.56 and \$83.34 to Davenport, Treacy & Co., \$85.50 to Wm Rapp, \$2.05 to N J Press Press, \$3 to C S Baldwin, \$4 to Patrick Sherr, \$5.60 to The Argus, \$3.10 to The Argus, \$32.16 to Vanderbeek & Sons, \$10.42 to Wood & Menagh, \$12.60 to The Argus, \$8.61 to John A. Whelan, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

The yeas and nays having been called on each of the above resolutions the reports of the committee were received and the resolutions adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—President Beach, Messrs. Smith & Tilden.

Nays—Mr. McGill.

Absent—Mr. Witsch.

The Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments reported, recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

On petition of Webb & Matthews, agent for Henry A. Nelson:

Resolved, That the City Clerk be authorized to reduce the valuation on the sale book for taxes of 1879 of a piece of property valued at \$4.0 described as lot part 17, south part a strip of land between Hoboken avenue and Division street, Second District, to \$200, and that the City Collector be authorized to make the same reduction on the same property for the taxes of 1880, 1881 and 1882.

The said valuation being an error according to the certIFICATE of the Assessor of the Second District attached to the petition,

On petition of David S. Paige:

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby directed to receive from David S. Paige or his representative the face value of the following assessment on lot 8 and 6, block 41, without interest, to wit: improvement of West Grand street, plat foundation, reconfirmed May 20, 1844. \$13.88





Provided all other assessments and taxes due on said property are paid in full with interest and cost if any and provided further that said payments are made within sixty days from the date of the passage of this resolution otherwise the resolution to be null et void and of no effect.

On petition of the Equitable Life Assurance Society:

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby authorized and directed to receive from the Equitable Life Assurance Society or their representative the face value of the following assessments without interest to wit:

Improvement of West Grand street, pile foundation, lots 1, 2, 3 and 4  
block 12, reconfirmed May 20 1874... 27 78  
Improvement of Clinton avenue, Jackson avenue to Ocean street, lots 1, 2, 3 and 4, block 512 confirmation approved

January 20, 1871..... 539 49  
Provided all other assessments and taxes due on said property are paid in full with interest and costs if any and provided further that said payments are made within sixty days from the date of the passage of this resolution otherwise the resolution to be null et void and of no effect

On petition of David S. Paige.

Resolved, That the City Clerk be and he is hereby requested and authorized to cancel of record the following sales for taxes made by the former City of Bergen for the reason that according to the certificate of the City Clerk the property cannot be located,

Sale January 8th, 1869 to City Treasurer for 1,000 years for taxes of 1863.

Estate of Greenly Plank Road, 480x72.

Estate of Greenly, Plank Road, 40x86

Estate of Greenly, Plank Road, Plot 4, 106x

158.  
Estate of Greenly, Plank Road, 9 Lots, 225x

127.  
Estate of Greenly, Plank Road, 10 Lots, 250x

100.  
Estate of Greenly, Plank Road, rear of 7 Lots

175x100.  
Estate of Greenly, Plank Road, rear of 2 Lots,

5 x100.  
Sale of January 5th, 1869 to City Treasurer for

1,000 years for taxes of 1864.

Estate of Greenly, Passaic street, 35x100.

Estate of Greenly, Plank Road, 40x80.

Estate of Greenly, Plank Road, 1 Lot, 40x10.

On petition of Mary Archer.

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Mary Archer for the sum of \$18 30, being a duplicate payment on water rents for the year 1883, on lot W 5, block

283, East Hamilton place, as per certificate of the Water Registrar attached to the petition.

On petition of Harriett A. Evens.

Resolved, That the petition of Harriett A. Evens for compromise of assessments for main sewer Ninth ward, from Perry street to old city line, and improvement of Newark avenue from Five Corners to old Jersey City line be not granted for the reason that this Board consider the assessments reasonable and just and therefore do not deem it to be for the best interest of the city to compromise with petitioner.

The yeas and nays having been called for on each of the above resolutions, the reports of the committee were received and the resolutions and recommendation adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—President Beach, Messrs. Smith and Tilden.

Nay—Mr. McGill.

Absent—Mr. Witsch.

#### MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

By Mr. Smith:

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn upon the City Treasurer in favor of that officer for ten thousand dollars to transfer that amount from General account to Water account as a loan.

The yeas and nays having been called on the above resolution it was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—President Beach, Messrs. Smith and Tilden.

Nay—Mr. McGill.

Absent—Mr. Witsch.

On motion the Board took a recess.

The Board reassembled the following members present:

Present—President Beach, Messrs. McGill, Smith and Tilden.

Absent—Mr. Witsch.

By Mr. Smith:

Resolved, That the tax levy made and all taxes levied and assessed by the Assessors of Jersey City in the First, Second, Third, Fourth and Fifth Districts for the year 1883 84, transcripts of which have been filed in book form with this Board be and they are hereby confirmed and the Clerk of this Board is hereby directed to deliver the same to the City Collector for collection.

The yeas and nays having been called the resolution was adopted at 8:45 o'clock p. m., by the following vote:

Yeas—President Beach, Messrs. McGill, Smith and Tilden.

Absent—Mr. Witsch.

On motion the Board adjourned.

JOHN T. VAN CLEEF, Clerk.



Regular meeting of the Board of Finance and Taxation held in the City Hall, Wednesday November 14th, 1883, at 7:30 o'clock p. m.

Present—All the members.

On motion the reading of the minutes of the last regular meeting was dispensed with and they were approved as written.

#### PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS.

Claim of the Argus of \$14 for printing manuals pages 53 to 64

Claim of Thomas J Stewart of \$10.08 for cleaning carpets.

Claim of A. B. Renolds of \$6.55 for dusters furnished office of the Board.

All the above claims were received and referred to the Committee on Printing Stationery and supplies.

#### OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS

Itemized requisitions were received from the Clerk of the Board of Finance and Taxation and City Marshal, both of which were referred to the Committee on Printing, Stationery and supplies with power.

Communication from the Corporation Attorney accompanied by an opinion of the Supreme Court of New Jersey in the case of the Jersey City Gas Light Company vs Jersey City stating that in the matter of taxation of stock valued at \$99,000 of the Hudson County Gas Light Company and held by the Jersey City Gas Light Company, the Supreme Court decided to sustain the assessment against the same made by the City. The decision establishes the proposition that the capital stock of corporations held by individuals or corporations is liable to taxation.

The communication and the opinion were received and ordered filed.

Menzies C. Cleveland, agent for the collection of arrears of personal tax reported the receipts for the week ending November 10, 1883, to be \$207.80.

The City Treasurer reported the following total balance credited to all the accounts in the City Depositories at the close of business this day to be \$241,422.63.

The City Comptroller reported the following total receipts of the City Treasury Nov. 3 to 14, 1883, both days included, at \$139,51.07.

All the above reports were received and ordered filed.

Communication from the County Collector showing the amount of taxes levied against Jersey City for State, school and county purposes for the year 1883, to be as follows:

State school tax.....	\$155,764.78
County tax.....	\$51,474.99

Total.....\$207,239.77

The communication was received and ordered filed.

The following concurrent resolutions were received from the Board of Public Works and referred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions:

1. Authorizing Committee on Streets and Sewers to advertise for proposals for repaving Monticello and Communipaw avenues, Wayne, Eighth and Mercer streets also repairing Ocean avenue.

2. Ordering paid claim of John Knoop.

3. Two resolutions ordering paid certain claims.

On motion the Board took a recess.

The Board reassembled, all the members present.

The Clerk notified the Board that the Assessor of the Sixth district had filed his books.

#### REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Concurrent Resolutions reported on concurrent resolution from the Board of Public Works, recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the following resolution, adopted by the Board of Public Works, Oct. 22, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That by and with the concurrence of the Board of Finance and Taxation the contract for furnishing about 500 lengths of six-inch cast iron water pipe, according to specifications, be and is hereby awarded to T. James McKenna at the price named in his proposal, viz.: thirty-six dollars (\$36) per gross ton of 2,240 lbs., delivered at Communipaw station, that being the lowest bid received, and that the Corporation Attorney be and is hereby requested to prepare and have executed the proper contract for the same, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution, adopted by the Board of Public Works, Nov. 12, 1883, to wit:

Resolved That the sum of \$100 be paid to Charles Thiele for boiler compound, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution, adopted by the Board of Public Works November 5th, 1883, to wit:

Resolved That \$3, \$450, \$17, \$6 and \$12 be paid to John B. McGowan: \$3 25, \$5 25, \$5 25, \$3 25, \$9 25 and \$11 25 to Frele Presse; \$8 55 to John Cogan; \$67 21 to Daniel Davis, \$31 25 to J. Donald & Co., \$7 40 to Philip E. Martin, \$21 91 M. D. Lulls & Bro \$5 25 to Albert Darz, \$18 to J. C. Gas Light Co., \$205 29 to Vanderbeek & Sons, \$19 40 the Philip E. Martin, \$89 to Charles Seaman, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution, adopted by the Board of Public Works November 12th, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That \$37 50 be paid to John Knoop for 27 days' services distributing notices and bills for arrears of water rents for month of October, 1883, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

The same committee reported verbally on the following communications, recommending that the same be placed on file:

1. Communication from Washington B. Williams remonstrating against the improvement of Danforth avenue or any other improvement for the present fiscal year.

2. Communication from A. H. Ross requesting this Board to concur in the claims of James Coyle, agent.

The yeas and nays having been called on each of the above resolutions the reports of the committee were received and the resolutions and recommendations adopted unanimously.

The same committee reported on concurrent resolution from the Board of Public Works recommending the adoption of the following resolution.

Resolved, That the resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works, Sept. 17th, 1883, awarding contract to Michael Curley for the construction of a sewer in Lincoln street from a point 100 feet east of Summit avenue to and connecting with the sewer in Central avenue, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

The yeas and nays having been called on the above resolution it was adopted by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. McGill, Smith, Tilden and Wirtch.

Nay—President Beach.

The Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessment reported recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

On petition of William Madigan:

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he hereby authorized and directed to receive from William Madigan, or his representative, the sum of \$43 25 being balance of face of assessment without interest for assessment for lateral sewer, Ocean street, Claremont to Myrtle avenue. Confirmation approved June 29th, 1871, on Lot 4, Block 701; also to receive without interest the face value of the following assessment, to wit:

Main sewer, First Drainage District, confirmed February 23, 1874, lot 4, block 701, \$53 28.

Provided all other assessments and taxes due on said property are paid in full with interest and cost if any and provided further that said payments are made within sixty days from the date of the passage of this resolution otherwise the resolution to be null et void and of no effect.

Resolved, That the City Collector be and is hereby requested and authorized to receipt the





JOHN T. VAN CLEEF, Clerk.



Regular meeting of the Board of Finance and Taxation held in the City Hall, Wednesday November 21st, 1883, at 7 30 o'clock p. m.

Present—All the members.

On motion the reading of the minutes of the last regular meeting was dispensed with and they were approved as written.

#### PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS.

Petition of John Schofield for the return of money paid in error on water rents.

Received and referred to the Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments.

Communication from James Erwin Attorney of James Muldoon requesting payment of claim from the Board of Public Works.

Received and referred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions.

#### PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS.

Claim of John W. Harrison of \$73.50 for stationery furnished offices in City Hall.

Claim of John Donegan of \$23.31 for carpenter work in City Hall.

Claim of Nicholas Van Thun of \$21.86 for supplies furnished City Marshal.

All of the above claims were received and referred to the Committee on Printing Stationery and Supplies.

#### OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS

Communication from the City Collector certifying that he had received from the Clerk of the Board of Finance and Taxation for collection the tax levy for the year 1883, amounting to \$,909 617 53.

Received and ordered filed.

Menzies C. Cleveland, agent for the collection of arrears of personal tax reported the receipts for the week ending November 17, 1883, to be \$200.21.

The City Treasurer reported the following total balance credited to all the accounts in the City Depositories at the close of business this day to be \$28,357.19.

The City Comptroller reported the following total receipts of the City Treasury Nov. 15 to 21, 1883 both days included, at \$184,323.21.

All the above reports were received and ordered filed.

Resolution from the Board of Public Works requesting transfer of \$250 from account of reconstruction of streets and sewers to account of streets and sewers fiscal year 1883-84, for the purpose of sweeping streets.

Resolution from the Board of Public Works requesting transfer to the month of December, 1883, the amounts appropriated to Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds for the first six months of said appropriation for the purpose of paying fire insurance then due.

Both the above resolutions were received and referred to the Committee on Finance and Claims.

The following concurrent resolutions were received from the Board of Public Works and referred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions:

1. Authorizing committee to extend the 8-inch water pipe in Franklin street from Ogden avenue to Paterson plankroad.

2. Extending the term of office of John Knoop to January 1, 1884.

3. Ordering paid the claim of David B. Day, assignee of John McAnnally, deceased, for services rendered in getting up pipe book during the month of February, 1882.

4. Ordering paid claims of the Jordan Stationery Company.

5. Ordering paid claims of the Jersey City Herald.

6. Ordering paid certain claims.

On motion the Board took a recess.

The Board reassembled, all the members present.

#### REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE.

The Committee on Finance and Claims reported on claim of Elijah T. Paxton, Corporation Attorney, recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Elijah T. Paxton Corporation Attorney, for the sum of \$118.42 being disbursements and expenses from July 1st to October 31st 1883.

The same committee reported on resolutions from the Board of Public Works requesting transfer recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the City Comptroller be instructed to transfer the sum of \$250 from the account of Reconstruction of Streets and Sewers to account of Streets and Sewers, Board of Public Works, fiscal year, 1882-83.

Resolved, That the City Comptroller be instructed to transfer the sum of \$510 from the account of Reconstruction of Streets and Sewers to account of Streets and Sewers, Board of Public Works, fiscal year 1883-84 for the purpose of repairing West side ave.

The President having called for the Ayes and Nays on each of the above resolutions the reports of the Committee were received and the resolutions adopted unanimously.

The Committee on Concurrent Resolutions reported on concurrent resolutions from the Board of Public Works, recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the following resolution, adopted by the Board of Public Works, Nov. 19, 1882, to wit:

Resolved, That by and with the concurrence of the Board of Finance and Taxation the Committee on Extensions and Distributions be and is hereby authorized to extend the six inch water pipe in Franklin street, from Ogden avenue to the Paterson Plank road, the said pipe to be laid under the iron steps on the right of way owned by the city, and to be used to supply the dwellings and factories on Mountain road and adjacent streets, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution, adopted by the Board of Public Works, Jan. 15 1884, to wit:

Resolved, That \$275 be paid to Thomas Cavanagh for labor and materials furnished in repairing retaining wall on Hoboken avenue, as per agreement. Charge Reconstruction account 1882-83, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution, adopted by the Board of Public Works:

Resolved, That the sum of \$100 be paid to Thomas Cavanagh for repairing Bleeker street from Nelson avenue to Germania avenue, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved That the following resolution, adopted by the Board of Public Works November 5th, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That by and with the concurrence of the Board of Finance and Taxation the Committee on Extensions and Distributions be and is hereby authorized to lay about four hundred and sixty lineal feet of 8-inch cast iron water pipe in York street, from end of pipe west of Monmouth street to Brunswick street, and in Brunswick street from York street to Bright street, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works November 19th, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That by and with the concurrence of the Board of Finance and Taxation the resolution adopted by this Board October 16th, 1883, ordering \$60 paid to John F. McAnnally, be amended so as to read as follows:

Resolved, That \$80 be paid to David B. Day, Assignee of John F. McAnnally, deceased, for services rendered on pipe book in month of February, 1882, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works January 22d, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That the sum of \$22.50 be paid to James Muldoon for one new body on gig, altering and painting, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works, November 12th, 1883 to wit:

Resolved, That \$14, \$17.50, \$82.50, \$25.50, \$18 and \$2.50 be paid to the Argus for advertising, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.





Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works, November, 12th, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That \$135.25 be paid to Warner & Carscallen \$40.25 to M. Madden \$31.45 to Valentine Puster \$20.85 to James Muldoon \$32.35 to John A. Vill \$8 to Patrick Sherry \$22.50 to Wm. Gaston \$36.75 to James Donald & Co \$9.40 to George R. Taylor \$3.65 to John A. Vill \$50 to Common Safe Metallic Packing Manufacturing Company \$50 to Charles Thiele \$15.77 to H. Niblet \$17.75 to John A. Vill \$41.20 to Warner & Carscallen \$4 to Patrick Sherry \$31.61 to Wood & Menagh \$3 to Jersey City Herald \$372.22 to Lavenport Treacy & Co \$93 to Dennis Ryves \$5 to Robert Donahoe \$20 to John A. Vill \$20 \$24 and \$18 to the Argus \$15.75 to R. H. McFarland \$15.90 to J. A. Smith \$3 to Jersey City Herald and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

The President having called the ayes and nays on each of the above resolutions the reports of the committee were received and the resolutions adopted unanimously.

The Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments reported on petition of Lawrence & Post for compromise of assessments recommending the adoption of the following resolution.

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby requested and authorized to receive from Lawrence and Post, or their representatives, the face value of the following assessments without interest, to wit:

Main sewer Section "A" 2d Drainage District confirmed Feb. 23, 1874, lots 1-3 27, 28 and 29, block 223.....	\$23 87
Main sewer in Section "B" 2d Drainage District confirmed March 10, 1874 lots 1-3 27, 28 and 29, block 223.....	162 56
Sewer in Bergen avenue from Belmont to Montgomery streets, confirmed February 28, 1874, same lots and block.....	151 76
Grading, &c., Bergen avenue from Newark and New York Railroad to N. J. R. R., confirmed March 17, 1871 lots 27, block 223.....	74 00

Provided all other assessments and taxes due on said property are paid with interests and costs in full and provided said payments are all made within sixty days from the date of the passage of this resolution otherwise the resolution to be null and void of no effect. The President having called for the ayes and nays on the above resolution the report of the committee was received and the resolution adopted unanimously.

#### MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

By Mr. McGill:

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn upon the City Treasurer in favor of that office as follows, to be deposited in the Hudson County National Bank to credit of December, 1883, interest:

On general account.....	\$13,549 00
On general account to pay interest on assessment bonds.....	55,500 00
On general account to pay interest on assessment bonds.....	20,000 00
On water account.....	8,480 00

By Mr. McGill:

Resolved, That the opinion of the Corporation Attorney be requested as to the power of the Board of Public Works, under authority of an act entitled "an act to provide for the payment of indebtedness incurred in excess of appropriations made to any City Board having control of the improvements and reconstruction of streets and sewers," approved March 31, 1882.

The ayes and nays having been called on both the above resolutions they were adopted unanimously.

The resolution offered by Mr. McGill at the last meeting and laid over to this meeting was called up for consideration.

Moved, That it be carried:

Moved, That the resolution under consideration be taken up and disposed of by sections.

The first section was read as follows:

Resolved, That we pledge ourselves to a

strict economy in all that over which we have supervision, our economy to be guided by an intelligent appreciation of the necessity of adequate appropriations for the repair and cleaning of streets and sewers and the repair and erection of school buildings.

The ayes and nays having been called this section was adopted unanimously.

The second section was read as follows:

That the imposition of taxes should be equitable no discrimination to be made between corporations and individuals.

The ayes and nays having been called this section was adopted unanimously.

The third section was read as follows:

That it is the belief of this Board that the taxation of railroad property is just and right under the constitutional provision for "all property to be taxed under general laws and by uniform rules according to its true value" and that we are heartily in favor of any legislation which may secure so desirable a result.

The ayes and nays having been called on this section it was adopted unanimously.

The fourth section was read as follows:

"That we believe it to be for the best interest of the taxpayers that the bonded debt of the city should be refunded at a lower rate of interest, and that we, as a Board, memorialize the next Legislature to pass an act giving to the Board of Finance and Taxation power to refund."

The ayes and nays having been called on this section it was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—Messrs. McGill, Smith, Tilden and Witsch.

Nay—President Beach.

The fifth section was read as follows:

"That a more stringent law to secure the prompt payment of back taxes is urgently demanded."

The ayes and nays having been called on this section it was adopted unanimously.

The sixth section was read as follows:

"That hereafter the Comptroller be instructed to make full and accurate monthly reports to this Board of the financial condition of the city, and that the said reports be published in our regular printed minutes."

By Mr. Smith:

Moved, That the said section be amended so as to read "quarterly" instead of monthly reports.

The amendment was accepted by Mr. McGill and the ayes and nays having been called on the section as amended by consent, it was adopted unanimously.

The seventh section was read as follows:

"That the records and books of the various offices under control of this Board be open to the inspection and examination of all reputable citizens and taxpayers."

By Mr. Smith:

Moved that this section be amended by adding these words: "When sanctioned by the City Treasurer, Comptroller and Collector within their respective departments."

By Mr. McGill:

Moved, as a substitute for the amendment the words "When sanctioned by the members of the Board of Finance and Taxation."

The substitute for the amendment having been put and the ayes and nays having been called it was lost by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. McGill and Witsch.  
Nays—President Beach, Messrs. Smith and Tilden.

The amendment was then put and the ayes and nays having been called it was lost by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Smith and Tilden.  
Nays—President Beach, Messrs. McGill and Witsch.

The ayes and nays having been called on the original section it was lost by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. McGill and Witsch.  
Nays—President Beach, Messrs. Smith and Tilden.

The eighth section was then read as follows:

"That we denounce the fee perquisite system now in vogue in some of our city offices as without authority or warrant of law and as being an imposition on the taxpayers."



There being objections made to the adoption of this section the following was offered:  
By Mr. McGill and carried:

Moved, that the subject matter contained in the said eighth section be referred to the Corporation Counsel, and that he be requested to send to this Board at its next meeting his

opinion regarding the law, if any exists, under which the officers under the control of this Board charge a fee for making tax or assessment searches.

On motion the Board adjourned.

JOHN T. VAN CLEEF, Clerk.





Regular meeting of the Board of Finance and Taxation held in the City Hall, Wednesday November 28th, 1883, at 7 30 o'clock p. m.

Present—All the members.

On motion the reading of the minutes of the last regular meeting was dispensed with and they were approved as written.

#### PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS.

Petition of Shaeran and Lehane for rempore of assessments.

Received and referred to the Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments.

Communication from the City Clerk in reference to the publication of redemption notices in the official papers.

Received and referred to the Committee on Finance and Claims with a request that they report at the next regular meeting.

#### PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS.

Claim of Benjamin Nled of \$14 for wood furnished City Hall.

Claim of The Argus of \$12 for printing manuals, pages 65 to 70, both inclusive.

Claim of Augustus Stoner of \$10 for cleaning and repairing locks on safes in City Treasurer's office.

All of the above claims were received and referred to the Committee on Printing Stationery and Supplies.

#### OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

Menzies C. Cleveland, agent for the collection of arrears of personal tax reported the receipts for the week ending November 24th, 1883, to be \$144 57.

The City Comptroller reported the following total receipts of the City Treasury November 2d to 21st, 1883, both days included, to be \$121,698 21.

The City Treasurer reported the following total balance credited to all the accounts in the City Depositories at the close of business this day to be \$118,726 62.

All the above reports were received and ordered filed.

#### OPINION OF CORPORATION COUNSEL,

Jersey City, Nov. 24, 1883.

To the Hon. the Board of Finance and Taxation of Jersey City:

Gentlemen—My opinion is asked regarding the law, if any exists, under which the officers under the control of this board charge fees shall confine my answer to the case of the City Collector as the officer whom I suppose is meant by the resolution on. The Supreme Court in Kahl vs. Love, 8 Vroom 7 says: The defendant making tax or assessment searches. In reply I am, as Collector of Taxes, has no right to give certificates for common use that the lands taxed were discharged from assessments. There is no law requiring or authorizing him to perform such a function. If this officer should give a certificate of this kind drawn up in the most formal manner the city would not be bound by it.

Respectfully submitted,

LEON ABBETT

Corporation Counsel of J. C.

The opinion was received and ordered filed. Resolution from the Board of Aldermen requesting the following transfers:

\$146 from election: to the credit of Printing Stationery and Supplies.

\$5 from Soldier's Plot and \$184 44 from elections to the credit of Public Grounds and Buildings.

Resolution from Board of Fire Commissioners requesting transfer of \$470 from account of salaries to the account of claims, fiscal year 1882-83.

Both the above resolutions were received and referred to the Committee on Finance and Claims.

The following concurrent resolutions were received from the Board of Public Works and referred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions:

1. Pay roll of the Committee on Water Rates and Assessments for the month of November 1883, amounting to \$1,300 02.

2. Ordering paid certain claims.

On motion the Board took a recess.

The Board reassembled, the following members present: President Beach, Messrs Smith, Tilden and Welsch.

Absent—Mr. McGill.

#### REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE,

The Committee on Concurrent Resolutions reported on concurrent resolutions from the Board of Public Works, recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the pay roll resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works Nov. 26th 1883 as presented by the Committee on Water Rates and Assessments for the month of Nov. 1883, amounting to \$1,300 02, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution, adopted by the Board of Public Works Nov. 19th, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That \$9 50, \$10 50, \$3 50, \$4 50 and \$3 be paid to Jersey City Herald for advertising all charged to the improvements, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution, adopted by the Board of Public Works October 15th, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That \$155 35 be paid to the Jordan Stationery Company for stationery, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works, July 2d, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That \$30 20 be paid to the Jordan Stationery Company for stationery, charged to appropriation for completion of assessment map, 1882-83, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works July 9th, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That \$14 95 be paid to the Jordan Stationery Company for stationery, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works July 2nd, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That \$103 70 be paid to the Jordan Stationery Company, charged to Engineering Bureau, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution, adopted by the Board of Public Works, Nov. 19, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That \$139 75 be paid to Michael Fitzpatrick; \$6 to Wm. Gaston; \$45 15 to Henry Stuh: \$72 90 to Wood & Menagh; \$33 15, \$33 25 to J. Donald & Co.; \$146 31 and \$3 65 to Wood & Menagh; \$23 25 to M. Madden; \$22 to Joseph Seal, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

The President having called the eyes and nays on each of the above resolutions the reports of the committee were received and the resolutions adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—President Beach, Messrs. Smith, Tilden and Witsch.  
Absent—Mr. McGill.

The Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments reported the salary list for month of November, 1883, recommending the adoption of the following resolution.

Resolved, That warrants be drawn for the payment of salaries for the month of November, 1883, when due, viz:

Isaac W. Taussig, Mayor.....	\$168 66
Thomas Earle, City Treasurer.....	200 00
Edward R. C. Young, City Comptroller.....	200 00
James H. Love, City Collector.....	20 00
Leon Abbett, Corporation Counsel.....	333 33
Elijah T. Paxton, Corporation Attorney.....	150 00
John T. Van Cleef, Clerk to Board of Finance and Taxation.....	300 00
Isaac Morrow, Jr., Clerk to Treasurer.....	100 00
George E. Hough, Clerk to Comptroller.....	100 00
Andrew D. White, Assistant Collector.....	110 00
Clerks to Collector—	
S. D. Dickinson.....	83 32
John T. M. Kaylar.....	70 00
Lewis E. Smith.....	70 00



William H. Tuttle.....	70 00
James E. Connolly.....	70 00
Charles Krebs.....	70 00
Charles Freeman.....	70 00
Patrick O'Neill, Messenger.	40 00
William H. Powell, Marshal 2d District Court.....	50 00
Menzies C. Cleveland, Agent for the collection of arrears of personal tax.....	75 00
Charles H. Westervelt, extra clerk to Comptroller.....	70 00
Clerks to City Clerk—	
Thomas K. Halstead.....	75 00
N. E. Feury.....	75 00
R. L. Husson.....	66 66
Printing minutes—	
The Argus.....	208 36
The Evening Journal.....	208 33
Cleaning rooms in City Hall—	
Elizabeth Lynch.....	30 00
Bridget Parker.....	30 00

The same committee reported on petitions recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

On petition of William G. Bumstead: Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby authorized and directed to receive from William G. Bumstead or his representative the face value of the following assessments, without any interest, to wit:

Sewer in Jay street, Bergen avenue to Monticello avenue, confirmed Feb. 23, 1874, lots 5 and 6, block 228..... \$421 53

Main sewer Section "A," 2d Drainage District confirmed Feb. 23, 1874, lots 5 and 6, block 228..... 20 43

Main sewer in Section "B," 2d Drainage District confirmed March 10, 1874, lots pt 5 and 6, block 228..... 136 93

Provided all other assessments and taxes due on said property are paid in full with interest and costs if any, and said payments are made within sixty days from the date of the passage of this resolution otherwise the resolution to be null and void and of no effect.

On petition of William Brinknerhoff.

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby requested and authorized to receive from William Brinknerhoff, in full settlement of the following assessments, the following amounts and to receipt in full for the same, to wit:

Main sewer Section "A," Second Drainage District, lots Assessors Nos. 3299, 3300, 3301, 3302 and 3303, block 230, Bergen avenue, the sum of eighty dollars.

Main sewer Section "B," Second Drainage District, same lots, same block, the sum of four hundred and fifty dollars.

Sewer in Duncan avenue, Bergen avenue west on lots Assessor's Nos. 1, block 230, the sum of two hundred fifty dollars.

Sewer in Bergen avenue, Belmont to Montgomery street, lot's Assessor's Nos. 20, block 230, the sum of two hundred and twenty dollars and eighty-six cents.

making the sum total of one thousand 84 100 in full for the above assessments, provided, however, all other assessments and taxes due on said property are paid in full with interests and costs. If any, and further that said payments are made within sixty days from the date of the passage of this resolution, otherwise the resolution to be will be void and of no effect.

On petition of John Schofield.

Resolved, That the petition of John Schofield for return of water rents paid on the wrong property be not guaranteed for the reason that it was not a duplicate payment, and under those circumstances the City is not liable, the petitioner should look to the person benefitted by the enormous payment.

The President having called for the ayes and nays on each of the above resolutions, the reports of the Committee were received and the resolutions adopted by the following vote;

Ayes—President Beach, Messrs Smith, Tilden and Witsch.

Absent—Mr McGill.

#### MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

By Mr. Smith:

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn upon the City Treasurer in favor of that officer for the sum of twenty thousand dollars to transfer that amount from Assessment account to General account to repay part of loan

By Mr. Smith:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of George H. Farrier, County collector, for the sum of \$10,000 to be applied on account of State Taxes for the year 1882.

By Mr. Smith:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of George H. Farrier, County Collector, for the sum of \$10,000 to be applied on account of County taxes for 1873.

By Mr. Smith:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of James F. Gannon for the sum of the three hundred dollars, being on account of his salary as Assessor of the First District of Jersey City for his official year beginning April 1st, 1883.

By Mr. Smith:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Dennis McLaughlin for the sum of three hundred dollars, being on account of his salary as assessor of the Second District of Jersey City for his official year beginning April 1st, 1883.

By Mr. Smith:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Hugh Ouzan for the sum of three hundred dollars, being on account of his salary as Assessor of the Third District of Jersey City for his official year beginning April 1st, 1883.

By Mr. Smith:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of John Wright for the sum of three hundred dollars, being on account of his salary as Assessor of the Fourth District of Jersey City for his official year beginning April 1st, 1883.

By Mr. Smith:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Francis W. Mitchell for the sum of three hundred dollars being on account of his salary as Assessor of the Fifth District of Jersey City for his official year beginning April 1st, 1883.

By Mr. Smith:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of James C. Clarke for the sum of three hundred dollars, being on account of his salary as Assessor of the Sixth District of Jersey City for his official year beginning April 1st 1883.

The President having called for the ayes and nays on each of the above resolutions they were adopted by the following vote:

Ayes—President Beach, Messrs. Smith, Tilden and Witsch.

Absent—Mr. McGill.

Mr. Witsch spoke of the resignation and retirement from the Board of Marmaduke Tilden and his faithfulness in the discharge of his duties, regretting that he felt it necessary to sever his connection with this Board.

Mr. Tilden responded appropriately, stating that his associations with his fellow members were at all times pleasant, but that he felt that he was called upon at this time, on account of increased business responsibilities and a proper regard for his physical condition, to curtail as much as possible the duties devolving upon him outside of his own private affairs.

On motion the Board adjourned.

JOHN T. VAN CLEEF, Clerk.





Regular meeting of the Board of Finance and Taxation held in the City Hall, Wednesday December 5th, 1883, at 7:30 o'clock p. m.

A communication was received from the Mayor stating that Marcus Beach, Simeon H. Smith, Marmaduke Hiden and Otto J. Witach had tendered to him their resignations as members of the Board of Finance and Taxation, to take effect Dec. 1st, 1883, and that he had accepted the same.

The following communication under seal was received from the City Clerk and read:

This is to certify that on the fifth day of December, eighteen hundred and eighty-three, Allan L. McDermott appeared before me and produced a letter of appointment as a member of the Board of Finance and Taxation, signed by Isaac W. Taussig, Mayor of Jersey City, in pursuance of an act of the Legislature of the State of New Jersey, entitled "An Act concerning cities in this State," approved March 31, 1882, and I therefore administered to him the oath of office as a member of the Board of Finance and Taxation of Jersey City, as required by law, which oath is now on file in the City Clerk's office of Jersey City.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand as City Clerk and have affixed the corporate seal of "The Mayor and Aldermen of Jersey City" this fifth day of December, A. D. eighteen hundred and eighty-three.

JOHN E. SCOTT, City Clerk,

A similar communication was received from the City Clerk, certifying that Emil E. Datz had been appointed a member of the Board of Finance and Taxation by the Mayor, and that he had appeared on the fifth day of December, 1883, and had taken the oath of office.

A similar communication was received from the City Clerk certifying that Thomas D. Jordan had been appointed a member of the Board of Finance and Taxation by the Mayor and that he had appeared on the fifth day of December, 1883, and had taken the oath of office.

A similar communication was received from the City Clerk certifying that Otto Heppenheimer had been appointed a member of the Board of Finance and Taxation by the Mayor and that he had appeared on the fifth day of December, 1883, and had taken the oath of office.

The roll having been called those present were John D. McGill, Allan L. McDermott, Otto Heppenheimer, Thomas D. Jordan and Emil E. Datz, all the members.

It was moved and carried that the Board proceed to a temporary organization.

Mr. Datz nominated Mr. McGill for temporary President.

He declined to accept and nominated Mr. Heppenheimer.

No other nominations having been made Mr. Heppenheimer was declared elected temporary President by a unanimous vote.

It was moved and carried that the Board proceed to a permanent organization.

Mr. Heppenheimer nominated Mr. McDermott for permanent President.

No other nominations having been made Mr. McDermott was declared elected permanent President by a unanimous vote.

Upon taking the chair he thanked the members for the honor conferred and spoke as follows:

Gentlemen—By a provision in the city charter the general management and care of the finances are committed to this Board. No city can advance, in the management of whose finances the element of doubt is encouraged. We are not here to contemplate the causes of our city debt, except so far as a contemplation of those causes warns us to guard against extravagance in the future municipal action. That the debt which we are called upon to meet was to a considerable extent created in advance of the demands of public necessity does not alter the fact, that the creditors of the city were without voice in the creation of that debt. The credit of a city is of too sensitive a nature to be treated as a toy or tool. Any appeal which borders upon a proposition of dishonor in the matter of an obligation should be met with contempt, for such appeals contain a sentiment of more than ordinary grossness. A wise co-operation of the debtor and creditor

founded upon a mutual desire for a decrease of our indebtedness and a rigid maintenance of our municipal honor will, I am confident, bring the desired relief. The question of refunding our city debt is one which demands and will receive careful consideration. Where the debt can be refunded at a lower rate of interest than is now exacted, the wisdom of such a course is self evident. I refrain from advancing a detailed proposition in this matter, because I believe that the plan to be adopted should be the outcome of our united deliberation. I cannot, however, conceive of a more effective method of attacking the prospective value of a bond to bear five per cent interest than to assail the credit of an existing bond bearing a larger rate of interest which it is desirable to retire. The experience of certain cities in our State teaches us that the question of prompt payment of municipal obligations can only be met by a vacillating policy without the accompaniments of disgrace and ruin. To those who have reposing confidence in the honor of this municipality become our creditors. I confidently say that the obligations of Jersey City will be met as they mature, every dollar will be fully and honorably paid. In the performance of our duties we are entitled to the aid of all citizens. Any proposition which encourages a belief that benefits can accrue to the citizen who neglects to make prompt payment of his proportion of the public burden is destitute of honor and good sense municipal government having its origin in necessity the imposition of taxes is inevitable. In fixing the tax levy of Jersey City there are but two rules to be observed. We should place in that levy an amount which will meet the obligations falling due within the fiscal year without increasing the bonded debt. This was the policy pursued by our immediate predecessors, and its results attest its virtues. Secondly, we should determine upon the smallest sum of money with which the other requirements of the city can be met. The total having been ascertained, it becomes our duty to impose, and the duty of the people to furnish, the amount thus determined upon in a spirit of honesty and economy. The methods provided by the charter of this city for the collection of taxes are by no means adequate. Taxes having been determined upon, payment within a reasonable time should be enforced unless some speedier method can be devised. I believe in collection through the medium of the courts. It is argued that the enforcement of tax levies by actions at law would work a hardship, so does every other action at law in the opinion of the defendant. Actions at law for taxes would be unpopular with those who desire to impose their share of the public burden upon their more prudent fellow citizens who make prompt payment. The only reason why the Corporation of Jersey City cannot to-day maintain actions at law for taxes is because the Legislature has provided a less effective method of collection. If no method had been specially provided actions at law could be maintained. The present plan of collection by advertisement and sale contemplates that the property owner shall be deprived of his property and there would not be any greater degree of severity in the proposition of a judgment upon which execution might issue after the lapse of a period equal to that now given to redeem property sold at tax sales. In this and other matters I would recommend that this Board act in concert with the public spirited citizens who are now in an organized body considering the question of legislative relief. I would also suggest that the Legislature be requested to make it the duty of all guardians and trustees to promptly pay the taxes imposed upon the estates in their charge and of excoutors and administrators to discharge tax liens as preferred claims. In the performance of our duties we are called upon to act concurrently with the Board of Public Works in the management of the Water Department. The water debt of Jersey City amounts to nearly \$5,000,000. This debt should be met by the revenue derived from the sale of water. It is our duty not merely to review the



matters of expenditure in the Water Department, but, as I construe the act of 1881, to take an active, vigilant and reformatory part. The Court of Errors and Appeals having decided that vacant property cannot be assessed for water rents the laying of water pipes in sparsely built portions of our city should be discouraged until authority is obtained from the Legislature to impose and collect an assessment for benefits upon vacant property in front of which water pipes are laid. The water resources of this State are at present under the consideration of a Commission appointed by an act of the Legislature, adopted in 1882, and it may be that the report of that Commission will reveal advantages to be derived from the management of our water works. I am satisfied that those works can be made self sustaining without increasing the rates now charged to consumers. The exemption of large tracts of land in our City from municipal taxation is an unwarrantable hardship, and steps toward a relief from that hardship should receive our hearty co-operation. It is a generally accepted opinion that certain modifications in the form of our local government in the interest of economy are desirable, and I am happy to express my belief that all the legislation necessary in this direction will be obtained during the coming session in the matter of the county tax legislation is also desirable, and I would recommend that consultation be had with the County authorities to devise a method by which our differences may be settled without resort to the Court.

The Board then proceeded with the regular order of business,

On motion the reading of the minutes of the last regular meeting was dispensed with and they were approved as written.

#### PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS.

Petition of R. Van Horne for the Emery M. E. Church for an extension of time in which to pay assessments without interest.

Received and referred to the Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments when appointed.

#### PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS.

Claim of Leon Abbett of \$455.61, for legal disbursements from December 31st, 1882, to December 1st, 1883.

Received and referred to the Committee on Finance and Claims when appointed.

#### OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

The City Treasurer reported that he had in the City depositories at the close of business this day a balance of \$165,631.76.

The City Comptroller reported receipts for the week ending December 5, 1883, as follows:

General tax, total.....	\$92,385 54
Assessment account, total.....	1543 66
Water account, total.....	9,991 82
Sinking fund account, total.....	82 38

Total..... \$103,985 38

The above reports were received and ordered filed.

On motion the Board took a recess.

On reassembling all the members were present:

By Mr. Heppenheimer, and carried, Mr. McGill voting in the negative:

Resolved, That all committees of this Board, as now organized, be discharged from further service.

The President appointed as the Committee on Finance and Claims, Messrs Jordan, Heppenheimer and McGill.

Mr McGill refused to serve on the Committee as arranged by the President and was excused at his own request.

The President then appointed Mr Datz to fill the vacancy. The President announced that the other committees would be appointed at the next meeting.

By Mr Jordan and carried;

Resolved, That the City Comptroller, be directed to furnish this Board with a detailed statement of the financial condition of Jersey City as speedily as possible.

On motion the Board took a recess for ten minutes. On reassembling all the members were present.

By Mr McGill and carried;

Moved, That a Committee of three, be appointed to confer with the managers of the official newspapers of Jersey City regarding the advertisements of a list of the property still unredeemed, sold by the City, August 29, 1881, for unpaid taxes of 1876 and 1877, also notice of expiration of time allowed by law for such redemption, the Committee to report at the next meeting of the Board.

The President appointed as such Committee Messrs McGill, Datz and Heppenheimer.

On motion the Board adjourned.

JOHN T. VAN CLEEF, Clerk.





Regular meeting of the Board of Finance and Taxation held in the City Hall, Wednesday December 12, 1883, at 7 30 o'clock p. m.

Present all the members.

On motion the reading of the minutes of the last regular meeting were dispensed with and they were approved as written.

The President announced the following standing committees:

1. Committee on Finance and Claims—Messrs. Jordan, Heppenheimer and Datz.

2. Committee on Concurrent Resolutions—Messrs. Datz, Heppenheimer and McGill.

3. Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments—Messrs. Heppenheimer, McGill and Jordan.

4. Committee on Printing Stationery and Supplies—Messrs. McGill, Datz and Heppenheimer.

#### PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS.

Petitions for compromise of assessments were received from Charles G. Clark, John A. Kunnane, Lewis H. Bailey, executors of Benjamin Bailey, dec'd, the executors of D. S. Gregory and the Provident Institution for savings. Petition of the First Baptist Church of Jersey City for cancellation of tax sales.

Petition of C. H. Winfield for cancellation of tax sales.

Petition of George Beck, a discharged soldier, for the return of poll tax paid in error.

All the above petitions were referred to the Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments.

Communication from Charles H. Winfield protesting against the improvement of Danforth avenue.

Received and referred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions.

#### PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS.

Claim of the American District Telegraph Company of \$150 for messenger services for the month of November, 1883.

Received and referred to Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies.

#### OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

Menzies C. Cleveland, agent for the collection of arrears of personal tax reported the receipts for the week ending December 11th, 1883, to be \$100 81.

The City Comptroller reported the following total receipts of the City Treasury from December 6th to 12th, 1883, both days included at \$104,983 57.

The City Treasurer reported the following total balance credited to all the accounts in the City depositories at the close of business this day to be \$265,521 51.

All the above reports were received and ordered filed.

The City Comptroller sent to the Board a statement showing the financial condition of Jersey City, December 1st, 1883.

The City Comptroller sent to the Board a statement of the receipts and disbursements for the fiscal year beginning Dec. 1, 1882, and ending Nov. 30, 1883.

The statements were received and referred to the Committee on Finance and Claims.

The following concurrent resolutions were received from the Board of Public Works and referred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions.

1. Payroll of the Committee on Pumping and Reservoirs for repairs at reservoir No. 2 for the month ending November 30, 1883, amounting to \$161 40.

2. Pay roll of the Committee on Extension and Distribution for the month ending, Nov. 30, 1883, amounting to \$1,404 14.

3. Improvement of Danforth avenue from Central N. E. depot to Bergen avenue.

4. Ordering paid claims of the Argus.

5. Ordering paid miscellaneous claims.

On motion the Board took a recess.

The Board re-assembled all the members present.

#### REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Finance and Claims reported on the statement of the City Comptroller showing the financial condition of Jersey

City and receipts and expenditures on Dec. 1st, 1883.

On motion the above report was received, ordered spread at large on the minutes and filed, and the Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies instructed to have two thousand copies printed in pamphlet form.

The Committee on Finance and Claims reported on resolution from the Board of Public Works requesting transfer recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the City Comptroller be and he is hereby requested to transfer the appropriations made for the Committee on Public Grounds and buildings for the months of Jan. February, March and April amounting to \$38 35 per month and also the sum of \$6 10 out of the month of May all in the fiscal year of 1883 and 84 to the month of December same fiscal year in order to pay fire insurance then due.

The same committee reported on resolution from the Board of Police Commissioners, requesting transfer, recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the City Comptroller be and he is hereby instructed to transfer the sum of \$300 from the account of the Committee on Lamps and Lights to the account of Station Houses and Prisons, Board of Police Commissioners, fiscal year 1882-83.

The same committee reported on resolution from the Board of Aldermen, requesting transfer, recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the City Comptroller be and he is hereby instructed to transfer the sum of \$145 from the account of Elections to the account of Printing, Stationery and Supplies, Board of Aldermen, fiscal year 1882 and 83; also \$5 from soldiers' plot and \$10 44 from Elections to the credit of Public Grounds and Buildings, all of the fiscal year 1882-83.

The President having called for the yeas and nays on each of the above resolutions, the reports of the Committee were received and the resolutions and recommendations adopted unanimously.

The Committee on Concurrent Resolutions reported verbally on concurrent resolution from the Board of Public Works, ordering a warrant drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of A. J. Bancker for the sum of \$5,000 for lands purchased, situate on Danforth avenue for school purposes, recommending that the same be referred to the Corporation Attorney.

The Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments reported on petition of the Provident Institution for savings for compromise of assessment, recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby requested to receive from the Provident Institution for savings of its representatives the face value of the following assessments without any interest to wit:

Improvement of Maple street, Pine to	
Madison street, Aug. 19, 1874, lot 1,	
block 29 .....	\$19 05
Improvement of Pacific avenue, Cum-	
munipaw to Grand, July 23, 1874, lot 1,	
block 446 .....	

provided all other assessments and taxes due on said property are paid in full with interest and costs if any and provided further that said payments are made within sixty days from the date of the passage of this resolution or, otherwise the resolution to be null and void and of no effect.

The President having called for the yeas and nays on the above resolution the report of the Committee was received and the resolution adopted unanimously.

The Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies reported on claim of The American District Telegraph Company recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the sum of \$1 50 be paid to the American District Telegraph Company for messenger service for the month of November, 1883.

The President having called for the yeas and nays on the above resolution the report of the Committee was received and the resolution adopted unanimously.



## REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES.

The Special Committee appointed to arrange with the official newspapers for advertising list of property still unredeemed sold August 29th, 1881, reported recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the City Clerk be and he is hereby requested and authorized to publish in the official papers of the city a list of property still unredeemed sold by the city August 29, 1881, for unpaid taxes of 1876 and 1877; also notice of expiration of time allowed by law for such redemption. And that the Corporation Council be and he is hereby directed to prepare and have executed a proper contract under the direction of this Board with the official papers of Jersey City.

The President having called for the ayes and nays on the above resolution the report of the committee was received and the resolution adopted unanimously.

## MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

By Mr. Heppeneheimer:

Whereas, By resolution of the Board adopted October 10, 1883, certain assessments upon lands of John Day, B F Britten and Leonard & Day for sewers were compromised, but the amounts to be paid in settlement of said assessments upon the several lots were in said resolution stated in bulk, and it is requisite to have a proper distribution of said amounts so that proper entries can be made of payments under said resolution when payment is made; and

Whereas, by reason of the want of such distribution the said parties have been unable to avail themselves of said compromise; and

Whereas, The proper distribution of the sums to be paid under said resolution is as hereinafter set forth; therefore

Resolved, That upon the payment of the sum of \$1688 for main sewer section A, second drainage district; \$116 20 for main sewer section B, second drainage district; \$19 37 for main sewer in Britton street from Fairmount to Westview avenue, making the total \$851 65. The City Collector be and he is hereby authorized and directed to cancel and receipt in full for the several assessments for the said sewers against lots 4 and 5, block 194, as shown on diagram annexed to original petition in this matter on file with the Clerk of this Board.

That on payment of the sums of \$9 91 for Main Sewer Section A, 2nd drainage district; \$67 69 for Main Sewer Section B, 2nd drainage district; \$305 19 for sewer in Britton street from Fairmount avenue to Westview avenue, making the total of \$382 79.

The City Collector be and is hereby authorized and directed to cancel and receipt in full for the several assessments for the said sewers against lot 1 on block 193 as shown on the said diagram.

That on payment of the sums of \$1008 for Main Sewer Section A, 2nd drainage district; \$88 84 for Main Sewer Section B, 2nd drainage district; \$10 38 for sewer in Britton street from Fairmount to Westview avenue, making a total of \$809 30.

The City Collector be and is hereby authorized and directed to cancel and receipt in full for the assessments for the said sewers against lot 2 block 193 as shown on the said diagram.

That on payment of the sum of \$10 90 for Main Sewer Section A, 2nd drainage district; \$74 44 for Main Sewer section B, 2nd drainage

district; \$335 62 for sewer in Britton street from Fairmount to Westview avenue, making a total of \$420 96.

The City Collector be and is hereby authorized and directed to cancel and receipt in full for the assessments for the said sewers against lot 3 on block 193 as shown on the said diagram.

That upon payment of the sum of \$344 for Main Sewer section A, 2nd Drainage District; \$57 60 for Main Sewer Section B, 2nd Drainage District; \$259 69 for sewer in Britton street from Fairmount to Westview avenue, making a total of \$325 73.

The City Collector be and is hereby authorized and directed to cancel and receipt in full for the assessments for said sewers against lot 6 on block 194 as shown on said diagram.

Provided all other assessments and taxes due on said property are paid in full with interest and costs if any, and

Provided further, as to said lots 4 and 5 on block 194, that all said payments upon said two lots are made within ninety days from the date of the passage of this resolution, and as to all other of the aforesaid lots that all the said payments thereon be made within thirty days from said date, otherwise this resolution to be null and void and of no effect.

By Mr. Jordan—

Resolved, That the City Comptroller be and he is hereby requested to send to this Board at its weekly meetings a statement of the accounts of the various committees of the different Boards of the City Government for both the past and the present fiscal year, until further ordered.

By Mr. McGinn—

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be instructed not to pay any temporary loan bond unless a majority of the members of this Board shall order the same paid at a regular meeting.

The President having called for the ayes and nays on each of the above resolutions they were adopted unanimously.

By Mr. McGinn:

Resolved, That the City Collector be directed to make weekly statements to this Board of the amount of taxes collected each day; that the proportion of taxes collected due the County be separately stated; that this could enter into an agreement with the proper County authorities to pay over such proportion of taxes collected from Dec. 1, 1883, due the county to said proper county authorities upon the certificate of the City Collector, that such payments shall be made weekly.

The following substitute was offered by Mr. Jordan:

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn upon the City Treasurer in favor of George A. Farrier, County Collector, for the sum of \$30,000 to be applied on account of county taxes due for 1883-84.

The President having called for the ayes and nays on the substitute it was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—President McDermott, Messrs. Datz, Heppeneheimer and Jordan.

Nay—Mr. McGinn.

By Mr. McGinn:

Resolved, That from January 1, 1884, the interest to be paid on temporary loan bonds held by the sinking fund shall not exceed 4 per cent per annum.

On motion the resolution was laid over.

On motion the Board adjourned.

JOHN T. VAN CLEEF, Clerk.





Regular meeting of the Board of Finance and Taxation held in the City Hall, Wednesday, December 19, 1883, at 7:30 o'clock p. m.

Present—All the members.

On motion the reading of the minutes of the last regular meeting was dispensed with and they were approved as written.

#### PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS.

Petition of Justus Deppell for the return of \$1 paid in error on poll tax for the year 1883.

Petition of A. M. Culver for compromise of assessments.

Both the above petitions were received and referred to the Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments.

#### PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS.

Claim of J. E. Cleveland of \$83.05 for recording deeds and making searches.

Claim of John W. Herbert, Jr., attorney of \$29.25 for taxed costs in suit of William A. Tyler vs The City.

Both the above claims were received and referred to Committee on Finance and Claims.

#### OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS

The City Treasurer reported the following total balance credited to all the accounts in the city depositories at the close of business this day to be \$331,725 19.

The City Comptroller reported the following total receipts of the City Treasury, December 18th to 19th, 1883, at \$126,901 53.

Both reports were received and ordered filed. Communication from the City Marshal calling the attention of the Board to the unclean condition of the offices in the City Hall.

Received and ordered filed. Communication from the City Collector stating that he has received for collection the following assessment m.a.s.

Improvement of Mercer, Moamouth to Brunswick streets..... \$238 25  
Sewer in South street, Nelson to Pearce 3,286 32  
Sewer in Congress and Central avenue to South..... 5,699 48

Received and ordered filed. Communication from the Water Registrar submitting a complete statement of the Water Department bonded indebtedness, temporary loan and interest account.

The communication was received and ordered filed.

Communication from His Honor the Mayor in reference to the receipt of \$30,000 from the Pennsylvania Railroad Company.

Received and referred to the Committee on Finance and Claims.

Communication from the Corporation Attorney;

JERSEY CITY, Dec 19, 1883.

To the Hon. the Board of Finance and Taxation:

Gentlemen—With reference to the annexed resolution I find that it has not been concurred in by your honorable Board, nor has any action been taken further than to refer it to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions. In examining further, however, I found that a resolution of the Board of Public Works was concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation agreeing to the purchase of certain property from William J. Baucker for \$5,000, to be used for school purposes.

Very respectfully,

R. T. PAXTON, C. A., of J. C.

Received and referred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions.

Two resolutions from the Board of Fire Commissioners, requesting transfers.

Resolution from the Board of Aldermen requesting an apportionment of monies appropriated for the relief of out door poor.

Resolution from the Board of Public Works requesting transfer.

Resolution from the Board of Public Works requesting transfer of unexpended balances from month to month fiscal year 1883 and 1884.

All the above resolutions were received, and referred to the Committee on Finance and Claims.

The following concurrent resolutions were received from the Board of Public Works and

referred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions.

1 Authorizing committee to lay pipe in Sixteenth street from Erie street to 180 feet east thereof.

2 Ordering paid claim of John Knoop of \$82 50 for distributing water bills.

3 Two resolutions ordering paid certain claims.

On motion the Board took a recess,

The Board, reassembled—all the members present.

#### REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Finance and Claims reported on petition of John C Young the difference between the old and new assessment, recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of John C Young for the sum of \$102 68, being the difference between the old and new assessment for improvement of North First street (now Ninth street) from Grove to Monmouth street on lots part 7 and 8, block 859, warrant to be used to pay taxes or assessments.

The same committee reported on claim of Leon Abbett recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the sum of \$456 61 be paid to Leon Abbett, Corporation Council for disbursements from December 1, 1882, to November 30, 1883.

On claim of Augustus Stoner, recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the sum of \$10 be paid to Augustus Stoner for cleaning and repairing locks on safes in City Treasurer's office.

On claim of John W. Herbert, Jr., recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the sum of \$39 25 be paid to John W. Herbert, Jr., for taxed costs, in the suit of William A. Tyler vs. The City.

The President having called for the yeas and nays on each of the above resolutions, the reports of the committees were received and the resolutions adopted unanimously.

The Committee on Concurrent Resolutions reported on concurrent resolutions from the Board of Public Works, recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the pay-roll resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works December 10th, 1883, as presented by the Committee on Extensions and Distributions for the month of November, 1883, amounting to \$1,494 14, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the pay-roll resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works December 10th, 1883, as presented by the Committee on Pumping and Reservoirs (for Reservoir No. 2), for the month of November, 1883, amounting to \$151 40, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works November 26th, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That \$103 be paid to Robert Mulrhead, \$25 to John Hogan, \$32 to Jordan Stationery Co \$5, to E J C Young, Receiver, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works Dec. 10th, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That \$22 53, \$17 50 and \$20 be paid to the Argus for advertising, all charged to the Improvements, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works Dec. 10th, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That \$13 80 be paid to J C Paper Co, \$5 50 to Northrup & Co, \$88 83 to John E Miller, \$4 20 to W H Ewald & Bro, \$15 50 to J J Crowley, \$15 to E J Whalen, agent, \$35 90 to F Farrets sons \$115 64 to Davenport Treacy Co, \$5 20 to John M. Miller, \$33 50 to John W Lynch \$3 80 to James Muldoon, \$24 55 to Philip E. Martin, \$15 50 to E Losley, \$7 90 to J J O Crowley, \$16 50 to E J Whalen agent, \$5 to John W Lynch, \$23 42 and \$7 50 to W H Ewald & Bro.



\$28 75 and \$15 50 to Jordan Stationery Co., \$422 49 to John E. Muller, \$14 and \$18 to the Argus, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

The same committee reported on concurrent resolution from the Board of Public Works ordering paid the claim of Myles F. McQuartin of \$16 50 for taking affidavits of Robert B. Coar, Water Purveyor, on bills for measured water against the Board of Chosen Freeholders recommending that the same be referred to the Corporation Attorney for an opinion as to its legality.

The President having called for the ayes and nays on each of the above resolutions the reports of the committee were received and the resolutions and recommendations adopted unanimously.

The committee on Salaries Taxes and Assessments reported on petition for compromise of assessment recommending the adoption of the following resolutions.

On petition of A. M. Culver.

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby requested and authorized to receive from A. M. Culver the face value of the following assessments without interest to wit: Walnut St. now Johnson Avenue from Grand to Pine St. Lots 29x30, 31 & 31 Blk #33

\$655 00

Sewer in Walnut St. from Morris Canal to Pine St. lot 29x30, 31 and 32 Blk 415. \$48.92

Provided all other assessments and taxes due on said property are paid in full with interest and costs if any and provided further that said payments are made within twenty days from the date of the passage of this resolution, otherwise the resolution to be null and void and of no effect.

On petition of Sheeran and Lehané:

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby requested and authorized to receive from Sheeran and Lehané the face value of the following assessments without any interest on lots 14 & 15 Blk 423 viz:

Paving Montgomery St. Jersey ave. to Mill Creek \$160.00

Flagging curbing and grading Montgomery St. from Jersey ave. to Mill Creek \$240.00

Provided all other taxes due on said property are paid in full with interest and costs if any, and provided further that said payments are made within twenty days from the date of the passage of this resolution, otherwise the resolution to be null and void and of no effect.

The same committee reported verbally on petition of Charles H. Winfield requesting cancellation of tax sales recommending that the same be referred to the Corporation Attorney. The same committee reported verbally on petition of the First Baptist Church of Jersey City for cancellation of tax sale recommending that the same be received and referred to the Corporation Attorney.

The President having called for the ayes and nays on each of the above resolutions the reports of the committee were received and the resolutions and recommendations adopted unanimously.

The Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies reported on claims recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

On claim of the Argus

Resolved, That \$32 be paid to the Argus for advertising sales of water scrip and printing manuals pages 4 to 50.

On claim of the Argus.

Resolved, That the sum of \$14 be paid to the Argus for printing manuals pages 58 to 64.

On claim of A. B. Reynolds.

Resolved, That the sum of \$355 be paid to A. B. Reynolds for cuspadores, dusters &c, furnished office of the Board of Finance and Taxation.

On claim of N. Y. and N. J. Telephone Co.

Resolved, That \$155 be paid to the N. Y. and N. J. Telephone Co. for rent of instrument and tollage from Oct 1st to January 1st, 1884.

On claim of Wood & Menaugh.

Resolved, That the sum of \$6 50 be paid to Wood & Menaugh for one Nerton Check Spring for Comptroller's office.

On claim of the Argus.

Resolved, That the sum of \$12 be paid to The Argus for printing manuals.

On claim of John Donelon:  
Resolved, That the sum of \$22 33 be paid to John Donelon for carpenter work in City Hall.

On claim of The Evening Journal Association:

Resolved, That the sum of \$50 40 be paid to The Evening Journal Association for advertising Assessors' notices.

On claim of John W. Harrison:

Resolved, That the sum of \$93 50 be paid to John W. Harrison for stationery and postage stamps.

The President having called for the ayes and nays on each of the above resolutions, the reports of the committees were received and the resolutions and recommendations adopted unanimously.

#### MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

By Mr. Datz:

Resolved, That the Board of Public Works be and they are hereby notified that hereafter this Board will not concur in any pay-roll of the Committee on Expenditures and Distributions of said Board exceeding for any one month the sum of eight hundred dollars.

By Mr. Heppenheimer:

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn as follows, to be applied on account of salaries due the Assessors of the various districts for their official years, beginning April 1st, 1885:

James F. Gannon.....	\$260
Dennis McLaughlin.....	200
Hugh Dugan.....	200
John Wright.....	200
Francis W. Mitchell.....	200
James C. Clarke.....	200

By Mr. Jordan:

Resolved, That the City Comptroller be and he is hereby requested to transfer the sum of three hundred dollars (\$300) from the account of Finance and Claims to account of Printing, Stationery and Supplies, Board of Finance and Taxation, fiscal year of 1882-83.

By Mr. Heppenheimer:

Whereas, The Dime Savings Bank of the City of Hudson were given permission to pay certain assessments, without interest, within a certain time, under resolution of this Board adopted June 20th, 1883, and the time having expired, and the resolution having become null and void; therefore,

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby requested and authorized to receive from the Dime Savings Bank of Hudson City or its representatives the face value of the following assessments without interest, to wit:

Improvement of Grace street, between Montgomery and Bergenwood avenue, on lots 31 and 36, block 809, \$24 21. Provided all other assessments and taxes due on said property are paid in full with interest and costs if any and provided further that said payments are made within twenty days from the date of the passage of this resolution otherwise the resolution to be null and void and of no effect.

By Mr. Jordan:

Resolved, That the City Comptroller be and he is hereby directed to draw a requisition upon the City Treasurer in favor of the Hudson County National Bank for the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars to pay Bond No 393.

By Mr. Jordan:

Resolved, That the City Comptroller be and he is hereby directed to draw a requisition upon the City Treasurer in favor of the Second National Bank for the sum of fifty thousand dollars, to pay Bond No. 395.

The President having called for the ayes and nays on each of the above resolutions they were adopted unanimously.

Mr. McGill here rose to a question of privilege and in addressing the chair he was called to order, the Chair stating that it was not in order on a question of privilege for the gentleman to criticize the action of the Board.

Mr. McGill appealed from the decision of the Chair and on a call of the ayes and nays the Chair was sustained by the following vote:

Yeas—Hessers Datz, Heppenheimer and Jordan.

Nay—Mr McGill.

By Mr. Jordan:





Moved, That the vote on the following resolution adopted December 12th, 1883 be reconsidered.

Resolved, That the City Treasurer be instructed not to pay any temporary loan bond unless a majority of the members of this Board shall order the same paid at a regular meeting.

The motion was carried by the following vote:

Yeas—President McDermott, Messrs Datz, Heppenheimer and Jordan.  
Nay—Mr McGill.

By Mr Datz:

Moved, That we lay the above resolution on the table.

It was carried by the following vote:

Yeas—President McDermott, Messrs Datz, Heppenheimer and Jordan.  
Nay—Mr McGill.

The President announced that there was a vacancy on the joint committee on pollution of the Passaic river.

Mr Heppenheimer was appointed to fill the vacancy.

By Mr McGill:

Resolved, That the City Collector pay to the County Collector the amount of County tax due the county to date, it being the lawful duty of the City Collector so to do.

The resolution was tabled. Mr McGill not voting.

By Mr Jordan:

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of that officer as follows, to be deposited in the Hudson County National Bank to the credit of January 1883 interest account:

On general account.....	\$27,427 00
On general account.....	27,000 00
On general account to pay interest on assessment bonds.....	61,180 00
On water account.....	57,315 00

The President having called for the ayes and says it was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—President McDermott, Messrs Datz, Heppenheimer and Jordan,  
Mr McGill not voting.

By Mr Jordan:

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn upon the City Treasurer in favor of that officer for the sum of thirty-three thousand dollars to transfer that amount from general account to water account as a loan.

The President having called for the ayes and says it was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—President McDermott Messrs Datz, Heppenheimer and Jordan.  
Mr McGill not voting.

By Mr Jordan:

Resolved, That the City Comptroller be and he is hereby directed to draw a requisition dated Dec 26th, 1883 upon the City Treasurer in favor of the Mutual Life Insurance Company of New York for the sum of one hundred thousand dollars on account of bond No 405.

The President having called for the ayes and says it was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—President McDermott, Messrs Datz, Heppenheimer and Jordan.  
Nay—Mr McGill.

On motion the Board adjourned.

JOHN T. VAN CLEEF, Clerk.

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Regular Meeting of the Board of Finance and Taxation, held in the City Hall, Wednesday, December 26th, 1883, at 7:30 o'clock P. M.

Present—All the members.

On motion the reading of the minutes of the last regular meeting was dispensed with, and they were approved as written.

#### PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS.

Petition of Charles E. Newham for rebate on assessment. Received and referred to the Corporation Counsel.

Petitions for compromise of Assessments were received from William H. Corbin, Trustee, Anna Ott, C. C. Jewell and Melissa Clark.

Petition of Charles E. Newham for cancellation of assessments.

All the above petitions were received and referred to the Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments.

#### PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS.

Claim of B. F. Corduan of \$4.50, for repairing lock on hall door.

Claim of N. J. Frele Press of \$12, for advertising collector's notice for collection of taxes.

Claim of The Chelsea Ice Company of \$10.25, for ice furnished city hall, from November 27 to December 26, 1883.

All the above claims were received and referred to the Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies.

#### OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

Official bond of James Nichols, as overseer of the poor, in the sum of \$5,000 with Charles Turner and Frederick Payne as sureties.

Official bond of Samuel Blakey, as inspector of scales, weights and measures, in the sum of \$1,000, with George Blakey and Abram Post as sureties.

The City Comptroller reported the following total receipts of the City Treasury, December 20 to 26, 1883, both days included, at \$149,325.07.

The City Treasurer reported the following total balances credited to all the accounts in the city depositories, at the close of business this day, at \$267,173.44.

Both the above reports were received and ordered filed.

Communication from Menzies C. Cleavland, agent for the collection of arrears of personal tax, reported the receipts to December 26, 1883, to be \$167.23.

Received and ordered filed.

Opinion of the Corporation Counsel.

Jersey City, December 19th, 1883.

To the Hon. the Board of Finance and Taxation of Jersey City,

Gentlemen:—The petition of the New England Transportation Company in reference to taxes assessed against it, has been referred to me. I am of opinion that it would be better to let the company prove in a court the statements made in their petition, than to take their ex-parte statements. If foreign corporations refuse to pay taxes in New Jersey, it is best to ascertain the fact so that the legislature may prevent such corporations exercising any corporate act in this state.

Respectfully submitted,

LEON ABBETT, C. C. of J. C.

The opinion was received, ordered filed, and the subject matter referred to the Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments.

The following Concurrent Resolutions were received from the Board of Public Works and referred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions.

1. Ordering paid the claim of Thomas Trotter.
2. Ordering paid the claim of Thomas C. Herbelley.
3. Ordering paid certain claims.

On motion the Board adjourned to meet on Saturday, December 29, 1883, at 4 o'clock P. M.

JOHN T. VAN CLEEF, Clerk.









twenty days from the date of the passage of this resolution, otherwise the resolution to be null et void and of no effect.

On petition of Alexander Bonnell:

Resolved, That warrants be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Frank L. Clark, attorney for Alexander Bonnell, for the following sums: one for \$32.50, being a duplicate payment on water rents for 1881, lot 44, block 229, Bergen avenue, the other for \$8.92, being a duplicate payment on water rents for 1881, on lot G, block 338, Brinkerhoff street, and that the Water Registrar be notified.

On petition of Justus Deppel:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Justus Deppel for the sum of one dollar, it being a duplicate payment made by him for poll tax for 1883, lot 29, block 387, Third district, folio 106, and that the City Collector be notified.

On petition of Oliver E. Bailey:

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby instructed to cancel the personal assessment, valuation \$400, for the years 1879 and 1880, 93 Hudson street, lot 45, block 37, assessed to the estate of Bailey, the said estate having owned no personal property in Jersey City during said years.

On petition of Jane Wright.

Resolved, That the petition of Jane Wright, requesting this Board to reduce the amount of assessment for main sewer, Ninth ward, from Perry street to old city line, on lot 4, block 530 be and is hereby not granted. The amount of the old assessment was \$252.47; the new assessment is \$160, which in the opinion of this Board is a sufficient reduction.

On petition of George Heck.

Resolved, That the petition of George Heck for a return of poll tax claimed to be paid in error, for the years 1878 to 1882 inclusive, be not granted, for the reason that the reduction should have been made on application to the Board of Commissioners of Appeal in Cases of Taxation for the various years.

The ayes and nays having been called for, the reports of the Committee were received, and the resolutions and recommendations adopted by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs, Datz, Heppenheimer, Jordan and McGill.

Absent—President McDermott.

#### MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

On motion the Board adjourned to meet Monday, December 31, 1883, at 12 o'clock M.

JOHN T. VAN CREEF, Clerk.





Regular adjourned meeting of the Board of Finance and Taxation, held in the City Hall Monday, December 31st, 1883, at 12 o'clock noon.

Present—All the members.  
On motion the reading of the minutes of the regular meeting were dispensed with and they were laid over for approval.

#### OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

Resolution from the Board of Police Commissioners requesting transfers of unexpended balances, fiscal year 1883-84. Received and referred to the Committee on Finance and Claims.

#### REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Finance and Claims reported on claim of J. B. Cleveland, recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the sum of \$68 05 be paid to J. B. Cleveland for recording deeds and making searches.

The ayes and Nays having been called on the above resolution, it was adopted unanimously.

The Committee on Concurrent Resolutions reported on concurrent resolutions from the Board of Public Works, recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the following resolution, adopted by the Board of Public Works, December 17th, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That \$1 50 be paid to J. C. Gas Light Co., \$9 05 to John A. Vill, \$6 to Patrick Sherry, \$8 50 to William Gaston, \$2 90 to Wood & Menagh, \$3 80 to F. A. Smith, \$19 20 to James Muldoon, \$8 75 to Thomas Katigan, \$48 75 to Valentine Fuster, \$17 50 to James P. Wheeler, \$76 84 to Philip E. Martin, \$31 01 to Henry Stuhr, \$76 84 to J. Donald & Co., \$51 10 to J. E. Sayer, Jr. & Co., \$85 50 to John Cogan, \$77 03 to Wood & Menagh, \$23 80 to Benjamin F. Mead, \$9 to Albert Datz, \$47 80 to Vanderboek & Sons, \$27 16 to Warner & Carscallen, \$43 35 to Wm. Rapp, \$6 50 to Evening Journal Association, \$4 to Patrick Sherry, \$7 40 to John A Vill, \$55 to John Griffin, \$180, \$164 50 and \$189 32 to Davenport, Treacy & Co., \$294 02 and \$271 32 to Fox and Drummond, \$249 75 and \$1 25 to Philip E. Martin, \$14 45 to W. & L. E. Gurley, \$7 to Albert Datz, be and is hereby conveyed by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

The ayes and nays having been called on the above resolution, the report was received and the resolution adopted unanimously.

The Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments reported the salary list for the month of December, 1883, recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn for the payment of salaries for the month of December, 1883, when due, viz:

Isaac W. Taussig, Mayor.....	\$166 66
Thomas Earle, City Treasurer.....	200 00
Edward F. C. Young, City Comptroller.....	200 00
James H. Love, City Collector.....	200 00
Leon Abbett, Corporation Counsel.....	333 33
Elijah T. Paxton, Corporation Attorney.....	150 00
John T. Van Cleef, Clerk to Board of Finance and Taxation.....	100 00
Isaac Morrow, Jr., Clerk to Treasurer.....	100 00
George R. Hough, Clerk to Comptroller.....	100 00
Andrew D. Whyte, Assistant Collector.....	110 00
Clerks to Collector—	
S. D. Dickinson.....	83 33
John T. M. Kaylar.....	70 00
Lewis E. Smith.....	70 00
Charles Krebs.....	70 00
James E. Connolly.....	70 00
Charles Freeman.....	70 00
William H. Tuttle.....	70 00
Patrick G. Neill, messenger.....	60 00
William H. Powell, Marshal, 2d district court.....	50 00
Menzies C. Cleveland, agent for the collection of arrears of personal tax.....	75 00
C. H. Westervelt, extra clerk to Comptroller.....	70 00
Clerks to City Clerk—	
Thomas K. Halstead.....	75 00
N. E. Feury.....	75 00
R. L. Hudson.....	66 66

Assessors—	
James F. Gannon, 1st district.....	125 00
Dennis McLaughlin, 2d district.....	125 00
Hugh Dugan, 3d district.....	125 00

John Wright, 4th district.....	125 00
Francis W. Mitchell, 5th district.....	125 00
James C. Clarke, 6th district.....	125 00

Printing manuals—	
The Argus.....	208 33
The Evening Journal.....	208 33
Cleaning rooms in City Hall—	
Bridget Parker.....	30 00
Elizabeth Lynch.....	30 00

The same committee reported on the payroll of the former members of the Board of Finance and Taxation, recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn for the payment of salaries in full for the former members of the Board of Finance and Taxation, as follows:

Marcus Beach.....	\$ 83 33
John D. McGill.....	125 00
Simeon H. Smith.....	83 33
Marmaduke Tilden.....	83 33
Otto J. Witsch.....	83 33

The ayes and nays having been called on each of the above resolutions, the reports of the committee were received and resolutions adopted unanimously.

On motion the Board took a recess.

The Board reassembled.

The following members present—President McDermott, Messrs. Datz, Heppenheimer and Jourdan.

Absent—Mr. McGill.

The Committee on Finance and Claims reported on resolution from the Board of Aldermen, recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the City Comptroller be and he is hereby authorized and directed to reapportion and transfer the monies appropriated for the relief of the Out Door Poor as fixed by this Board at \$666.66 each month, as follows: December \$1200, January \$1200, February \$1200, March \$1200, April to November inclusive, \$400 each month.

The same committee reported on resolution from the Board of Public Works requesting transfers, recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the City Comptroller be and he is hereby requested to make the following transfers for the Board of Public Works, fiscal year of 1882-83 to wit:

\$14.18 from Reconstruction of Streets and Sewers to Streets and Sewers; \$49.73 from Salaries to Streets and Sewers; \$163.20 from Salaries to Public Grounds and Buildings; \$2.53 from Assessment Map Account to Public Grounds and Buildings; \$87.91 from Assessment Map Account to Engineering Bureau; \$139.91 from Assessment Map Account to Printing and Stationery.

The same committee reported on resolutions from the Board of Fire Commissioners, recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the City Comptroller be and he is hereby instructed to transfer the sum of \$400 from the account of Salaries to the account of Claims, Board of Fire Commissioners' fiscal year 1882-83.

Resolved, That the City Comptroller be and he is hereby instructed to transfer the sum of \$200 from the account of Salaries to the account of Claims, Board of Fire Commissioners, fiscal year 1882-83.

The ayes and nays having been called for on the above resolutions, the reports of the committee were received and the resolutions adopted by the following vote:

Ayes—President McDermott, Messrs. Datz, Heppenheimer and Jourdan.

Absent—Mr. McGill.

The Committee on Concurrent Resolutions reported on concurrent resolution from the Board of Public Works recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, that \$12.50, \$47.50 \$20, \$15, \$10, \$20, \$22.50, \$15, \$31.50, \$10.50, \$10.50, to Evening Journal Association; \$4, \$4, to Jersey City Herald; \$49.50, \$48, to The Argus; \$24.50, \$15, to John B. McGowan. All of the above to be charged to the Improvements.

The ayes and nays having been called for on the above resolution, the report of the commit-



tee was received and the resolution adopted by the following vote:

Ayes—President McDermott, Messrs. Datz, Heppenheimer and Jordan.

Absent—Mr. McGill.

The Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments reported on petition of Conrad Spengeman recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the petition of Conrad Spengeman for the return of money paid for taxes on property taken for the widening of Mountain Road be not granted, there being no good and sufficient reason shown by the petition why the city should return said money.

The ayes and nays having been called for on the above resolution, the report of the committee was received and the recommendations adopted by the following vote:

Ayes—President McDermott, Messrs. Datz, Heppenheimer and Jordan.

Absent—Mr. McGill.

#### MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

By Mr. Datz:

Resolved, That the Board of Public Works be requested to meet with this Board in conference, at the City Hall, Room 8, Wednesday, January 9th, 1883, at 8 o'clock p. m.

By Mr. Jordan:

Resolved, That the City Comptroller be and he is hereby directed to draw a requisition upon the City Treasurer in favor of the Hudson County National Bank, for the sum of Twenty-five Thousand Dollars, (\$25,000), on account of Bond No. 320.

By Mr. Jordan:

Resolved, That the City Comptroller be and he is hereby directed to draw a requisition upon the City Treasurer in favor of the Hudson County National Bank, for the sum of Seventy-five Thousand Dollars, (\$75,000), on account of Bond No. 325.

By Mr. Jordan:

Resolved, That the City Comptroller be and he is hereby directed to draw a requisition upon the City Treasurer in favor of the Second National Bank for the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars, (\$50,000), on account of Bond No. 396.

By Mr. Jordan:

Resolved, That the City Comptroller be and he is hereby directed to draw a requisition upon the City Treasurer in favor of the Second National Bank, for the sum of Fifty Thousand Dollars, (\$50,000), on account of Bond No. 397.

By Mr. Jordan:

Resolved, That the sum of Sixty-two Thousand Dollars, (\$62,000) be borrowed from the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, to be taken from the fund of 1873, and that a bond be executed by the Mayor and City Clerk, under the corporate seal of the city, in favor of the Sinking Fund Commissioners, payable on demand with interest at the rate of six per centum per annum, as the evidence of such indebtedness.

By Mr. Jordan:

Resolved, That the sum of Twenty-one Thousand Dollars, (\$21,000), be borrowed from the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, to be taken from the fund of 1876, and that a bond be executed by the Mayor and City Clerk, under the corporate seal of the city, in favor of the Sinking Fund Commissioners, payable on demand with interest at the rate of six per centum per annum, as the evidence of such indebtedness.

The ayes and nays having been called on each of the above resolutions they were adopted by the following vote:

Ayes—President McDermott, Messrs. Datz, Heppenheimer and Jordan.

Absent—Mr. McGill.

On motion the Board adjourned.

JOHN T. VAN CLEEF, Clerk.





Regular Meeting of the Board of Finance and Taxation, held in the City Hall, Wednesday, January 2d, 1884, at 7:30 o'clock p. m.

Present—President McDermott, Messrs. Datz, Heppenheimer and Jordan.

Absent—Mr. McGill.

On motion the reading of the minutes of the last regular meeting was dispensed with and they were approved as written.

#### OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

Official bond of James B. Niblett as inspector of scales, weights and measures, in the sum of \$1,000, with Henry E. Niblett and Matthias P. Fleming as sureties. Received and referred to the Committee on Finance and Claims.

Requisition from the City Collector for Printing. Received and referred to the Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies, with power.

Menzies C. Cleveland, agent for the collection of arrears of personal tax, reported the amount collected for the week ending December 29, 1883, to be \$191.63. Received and ordered filed.

The City Comptroller reported the following total receipts of the city treasury, December 27, 1883 to January 2, 1884, both days included, at \$175,951.51.

The City Treasurer reported the following total balance credited to all the accounts in the city depositories at the close of business this day to be \$142,781.52.

Both reports were received and ordered filed. Resolution from the Board of Public Works requesting a conference with this Board, in order that a better understanding may be had of the business necessary to be concurred in.

The resolution was received and ordered filed.

Concurrent resolution from the Board of Public Works ordering paid miscellaneous claims. Received and referred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions.

The following communication was received from the Corporation Counsel:

Jersey City, January 2nd, 1884.

To the Hon. the Board of Finance and Taxation of Jersey City:

Gentlemen—I herewith tender my resignation as Corporation Counsel of Jersey City. The office must be filled before January 14, 1884, as I cannot serve after that date. In severing my official connection with the City Government, I desire to thank your Board for the kindness and consideration I have always received at your hands. My official relations with the different City Boards and Officials have always been pleasant, and their aid and assistance has lightened the labors of my office.

I am very respectfully yours,

LEON ABBETT.

On motion the resignation was accepted to date from January 14th, 1884.

On motion the Board took a recess.

The Board reassembled, the same members present.

#### MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

By Mr. Jordan:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of George H. Farrier, County Collector, for the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) to be applied on account of county tax for the year 1883-84.

By Mr. Datz:

Resolved, That all orders given for supplies for this Board shall be signed by at least two members of the committee ordering such supplies, and the bill therefor when rendered to the Board, shall not be considered unless accompanied by such order.

By Mr. Heppenheimer:

Resolved, That William Brinkerhoff be and he is hereby appointed Corporation Counsel of Jersey City, to fill the unexpired term of Leon Abbett resigned. His term of office to begin January 14th, 1884, at a salary of four thousand dollars per year.

The ayes and nays having been called on each of the above resolutions they were adopted by the following vote:

Ayes—President McDermott, Messrs. Datz, Heppenheimer and Jordan.

Absent—Mr. McGill.

The President called Mr. Jordan to the chair and offered the following preamble and resolutions:

Whereas, Being about to assume the duties of the office of Governor of New Jersey, the Honorable Leon Abbett has tendered to this Board his resignation as Corporation Counsel of "The Mayor and Aldermen of Jersey City," be it

Resolved, That in accepting said resignation we tender to the Honorable Leon Abbett our grateful recognition of the devotion and energy with which he has during over six years service, in the office of Corporation Counsel, given to the people of Jersey City the faithful efforts of a learned mind and untiring research; and

Resolved, That we give expression to our hope and confidence that the administration of the Honorable Leon Abbett as Chief Executive of our Commonwealth may be one of peace and prosperity, bringing to the people those reliefs and blessings which are ever attendant upon the adoption of wise suggestions.

The ayes and nays having been called for the resolution was adopted by the following vote:

Ayes—President McDermott, Messrs. Datz, Heppenheimer and Jordan.

Absent—Mr. McGill.

On motion the Board adjourned.

JOHN T. VAN CLEEF, Clerk.



Regular meeting of the Board of Finance and Taxation, held in the City Hall, Wednesday, January 9th, 1884, at 7:30 o'clock p. m.

Present—All the members.

On motion the reading of the minutes of the last regular meeting was dispensed with, and they were approved as written.

On motion the regular order of business was suspended, in order to hear report of the Corporation Counsel on the adjustment of taxes and assessments of the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railroad and the Morris and Essex Railroad, which had been referred to him for legal adjustment and settlement.

The Corporation Counsel advised the acceptance of the sum of \$27,464.57 in full settlement of the taxes and assessments in dispute, and recommended the adoption of a resolution to that end, the form of which he submitted.

#### PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS.

Petition of William H. Romaine for correction of an assessment.

Petition of Susan and Sarah Charles for the return of money paid in error on taxes.

Petition of Henry Louderberger for the return of money paid in error on water rents.

Petition of John A. Lane for the return of money paid in error on taxes.

Petitions for compromise of assessments were received from Alexander Bonnell, Lucy A. Betts, estate of H. Allen, Thomas Carey and estate of D. S. Gregory.

All the above petitions were received and referred to the Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments.

#### PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS.

Claim of Heppenheimer & Maurer of \$103.50, for official printing. Received and referred to the Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies.

#### OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

Itemized requisition for supplies was received from the City Marshal, and referred to the Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies.

Menzies C. Cleveland, collector for the collection of arrears of personal tax, reported the receipts to January 5th, 1884, to be \$128.94.

The City Comptroller reported the following total receipts of the City Treasury, January 8d to 9th, 1884, at \$54,968.90.

The City Treasurer reported the following total balances credited to all the accounts in the city depositories, at the close of business this day, at \$66,671.66.

Both the above reports were received and ordered filed.

Communication from the Corporation Attorney in reference to the petition of the First Baptist Church for cancellation of tax sale, stating that the property in question, at the time the taxes for the year 1871 were levied, was owned by the First Baptist Church, and was not therefore subject to taxation.

The communication was received, ordered filed and the subject matter referred to the Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments.

Resolution from the Board of Public Works requesting transfer of \$73.23 from the Committee on Public Buildings and Grounds, month of May, to the same Committee, month of January, fiscal year 1885 and '84, for the purpose of paying for coal and other supplies.

Received and Referred to the Committee on Finance and Claims.

The following Concurrent Resolutions were received from the Board of Public Works and referred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions.

1. Pay-roll of the Committee on Extension and Distributions for the month of December, 1883, amounting to \$1,483.03.

2. Pay-roll of the Committee on Pumping and Reservoirs for the month of December, 1883, amounting to \$1,829.30.

3. Authorizing Committee to lay water pipe in Bergen Point Plank Road, from the northerly side of Union street to a point about fifty feet south thereof.

4. Ordering paid certain claims.

On motion the Board took a recess.

The Board reassembled, the same members present.

#### REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Finance and Claims reported on claim of John Griffin, recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of John Griffin for the sum of \$31 for taking testimony in case of the Delaware Lackawanna and Western Railroad vs. Jersey City.

The ayes and nays having been called on the above resolution, the report was received, and the resolution adopted unanimously.

The Committee on Concurrent Resolutions reported on concurrent resolution from the Board of Public Works, recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the following resolution, adopted by the Board of Public Works, October 22nd, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That by and with the concurrence of the Board of Finance and Taxation, the following amounts be paid to James Coyle, agent, for coal furnished at Belleville and High Service: \$252.50, \$250, \$157.50, \$332.28, \$328.05, \$247.50, \$344.53, \$342.68 and \$334.78 be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution, adopted by the Board of Public Works December 24th, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That \$236.48 be paid to Thomas C. Herlihey for salt hay, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution, adopted by the Board of Public Works December 24th, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That \$78 be paid to Thomas Trotter, senior, for carting salt hay, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution, adopted by the Board of Public Works December 17th, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That \$62.50 be paid to John Knoop for distributing notices and bills of arrears of water rents for month of November, 1883, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution, adopted by the Board of Public Works December 24th, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That \$4, \$5 and \$2.50 be paid to J. C. Herald: \$9.25, \$7.25, \$4.25 and \$4.25 to N. J. Freie Presse; \$11.75 to John Cogan; \$8 to Albert Datz; \$17.12 to Thomas Ratigan; \$40 to John A. Vili; \$8 to J. B. Gautier; \$28.40 to W. H. Ewald & Bro.; \$16 to Lewis E. Wood be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

The ayes and nays having been called for on each of the above resolutions, the reports were received, and the resolutions adopted unanimously.

The Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments reported on petitions, recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

On petition of the estate of D. S. Gregory:

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby authorized and directed to receive from the estate of D. S. Gregory the following assessments, without interest, to wit:

Widening of Montgomery street, Jersey avenue to Mill creek, 1874, lots 18, 20, 21, 22 and 23, block 136 1/2 ..... \$312 35

Widening of Montgomery street, Jersey City to Mill creek, 1870, lots 88, 90, 92 and 94, block 169 ..... 276 08

Provided said payments are made within twenty days from the date of the passage of this resolution, otherwise the resolution to be null et void and of no effect whatever.

On petition of the First Baptist Church:

Resolved, That the City Clerk be and he is hereby authorized and requested to cancel the sales made to the City Treasurer, September 26, 1873, for unpaid taxes of 1871 of lots 1, 2 and pt. 3, block 410, assessed to E. B. Wakeman, amounting in all to \$30.03, the said property at the time said taxes were levied being in the possession and ownership of the First Baptist





Church of Jersey City, and therefore not liable to taxation.

On petition of Robert O. Babbitt:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Robert O. Babbitt for the sum of \$11.20, to return said amount, it being paid in error on taxes of 1879.

The ayes and nays having been called on each of the above resolutions, the reports of the Committee were received, and the resolutions adopted unanimously.

#### MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

By Mr. Heppenheimer:

Whereas, The time of C. S. Westervelt as extra clerk to the Comptroller, will expire under resolution on January 15th, 1884; therefore be it

Resolved, That C. S. Westervelt be and he is hereby appointed by this Board to act as extra clerk to the Comptroller from January 15, 1884, at a salary at the rate of \$70 per month, term of office to continue during the will of the Board.

By Mr. Jordan:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of George H. Farrier, County Collector, for the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars, on account of county tax for the year 1883-84.

The President having called for the ayes and nays on each of the above resolutions, they were adopted unanimously.

By Mr. Jordan:

Resolved, That the city of Jersey City receive in settlement of tax bills and assessment bills, marked and distinguished by this Board with its seal due, upon settlement, from the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western and Morris and Essex Railroad Companies, the sum of \$27,464.57, and on the receipt of said amount the City Clerk and City Collector be and they are hereby authorized and directed to receipt the bills stamped and distinguished as aforesaid in full, and the City Clerk is further directed to cancel of record the sales made upon any of the taxes or assessments embraced in the above bills.

The ayes and nays having been called for on the above resolution, it was adopted by the following vote:

Ayes—President McDermott, Messrs. Datz, Heppenheimer and Jordan.

Nay—Mr. McGill.

On motion the Board adjourned.

JOHN T. VAN CLEEF, Clerk.



Regular meeting of the Board of Finance and Taxation, held in the City Hall, Wednesday, January 16th, 1884, at 7:30 o'clock p. m.

Present—President McDermott, Messrs, Datz and McGill.

Absent—Messrs. Heppenheimer and Jordan.

On motion the reading of the minutes of the last regular meeting was dispensed with, and they were approved as written.

#### PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS.

Petitions for rebate on assessments were received from Amelia Childs and F. Boegler, both of which were referred to the Corporation Counsel.

Petitions of Frank L. Clark, George W. Helms and the Equitable Life Insurance Company, for compromise of assessments.

Petition of John Whitmore to be allowed to pay arrears of taxes with improvement Certificates.

Petition of M. D. Vreeland for the return of money paid in error on taxes.

Petition of James Rogers for the return of money paid in error on taxes.

Petition of The New England Transportation Co., to be relieved of personal taxes for 1882 and 1883.

Petition of Peter Bentley, attorney for the N. J. Steamboat Company, requesting a reduction in taxes.

Petition of the Second National Bank for the return of money paid in error on taxes of 1883.

All the above petitions were referred to the Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments.

Petition of Frank L. Clark requesting the City to purchase certain property owned by him and which has been dedicated for street purposes.

Received and referred to the Committee on Finance and Claims

Communication from George & Garret Vreeland protesting against the improvement of Linden avenue.

Received and referred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions.

Petition from the laborers on streets and sewers requesting transfer of moneys to pay their salaries for the month of November, 1883.

Received and referred to Committee on Finance and Claims.

#### PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS.

Claim of Clarke & Walter of \$166.93, for stationery and printing comptroller's reports.

Claim of The Argus of \$34, for printing manuals, pages 71 to 87, both inclusive.

Claim of the Jersey City Gas-light Company, of \$40.95, for Gas in City Hall December 1st 1883 to January 1st 1884.

Claim of the Jersey City Herald, of \$52.80, for advertising Collector's notice of taxes.

Claim of Thomas H. Whelen of \$11.10, for setting 11 lights of glass in Collector's office.

All the above claims were received and referred to the Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies.

Claim of Gilbert Collins of \$36.84, for taxed claims, in the case of Henry Detwiller vs., Thomas Earle, City Treasurer. Received and referred to the Committee on Finance and Claims.

#### OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

Official bond of George Sparks as Inspector of Scales, Weights and Measures in the sum of \$1,000, with Alfred B. Dayton and Henry Stuhr as sureties.

Official bond of Charles Stuhra as Inspector of Scales, Weights and Measures in the sum of \$1,000, with Henry Stuhr and John Pfior as sureties.

Both bonds were received and referred to the Committee on Finance and Claims.

The City Comptroller reported the following receipts of the City Treasury, January 10th to 16th, 1884, both days included, at \$64,547.63.

The City Treasurer reported the following total balances credited to all the accounts in the city depositories, at the close of business this day to be \$100,169.88.

Both reports were received and ordered filed. Opinion of the Corporation Attorney.

To the Hon. the Board of Finance and Taxation Gentlemen:—In compliance with the request of your Honorable Board, I have investigated

the matter of taxes for the years 1871 and 1872, assessed against the property of C. H. Winfield, on Danforth avenue, in this City. I find first that for the year 1871 Mr. Winfield holds his receipted tax bills, notwithstanding that for the taxes of that year his property was subsequently advertised sold and purchased by the City. I find secondly, that in 1872 Mr. Winfield was assessed for twelve lots on Danforth avenue when he owned but four. I would therefore recommend that the sale for taxes for the year 1871, be cancelled and that the petitioner be required to pay taxes for the year 1872, upon four lots at the valuation per lot placed upon them at the time said taxes were levied, with interest.

Very respectfully.

E. T. PAXTON,

Corporation Attorney.

January 15th, 1884.

The opinion was received, ordered filed and the subject matter referred to the Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments.

The Corporation Counsel reported the petition of Rudolph Groeschel, recommending the payment of \$19.33, for difference between the old and new assessment.

Received and referred to the Committee on Finance and Claims.

Resolution from the Board of Fire Commissioners requesting transfer of \$10.64, from the account of Salaries to the account of Claims, fiscal year 1881-82.

Resolution from the Board of Aldermen requesting an extra appropriation for the further relief of out-door poor.

Resolution from the Board of Aldermen requesting transfer of monthly balances.

All the above resolutions were received and referred to the Committee on Finance and Claims.

The following Concurrent Resolutions were received from the Board of Public Works and referred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions.

1. Improvement of Linden avenue from Bergen avenue (New Bergen Road) to the Central Railroad of New Jersey.

2. Confirming appointments and fixing the salaries of certain employees at Belleville.

3. Fixing the salary of firemen at Belleville at \$60, per month.

4. Ordering paid claims of the Argus.

5. Ordering paid miscellaneous claims.

On motion the Board took a recess.

The Board reassembled, the same members present.

#### REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessment reported on petitions, for compromise of assessments, recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

On petition of the Equitable Life Assurance Association:

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby directed and authorized to receive from the Equitable Life Assurance Association the principle of the following assessments without any interest to wit:

Improvement of West Grand street, pile foundation; lots 1, 2, 3 and 4, block 512. \$27 78

Main sewer in Section "A" Second Drainage District, lots 1, 2, 3 and 4, block 512. .... 170 02

Improvement of Madison avenue, Bramhall avenue to Newark Plank Road, lots 1, 2, 3 and 4, block 512. .... 824 41

Extension of Clinton ave., Jackson to Bergen, lots 1, 2, 3 and 4, block 512. .... 47 95

Improvement of Clinton avenue Jackson to Ocean, lots 1, 2, 3 and 4, block 512 539 49

Provided said payments are all made within twenty days from the date of the approval of this resolution, otherwise this resolution to be null and void and of no effect.

On petition of Thomas Carey:

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby authorized and directed to receive from Thomas Carey the principal of the following assessments, without interest to wit:

Improvement Jersey avenue from Ninth to Fifteenth street, lots 23 and 24, block 239. .... \$450 00

Provided all other taxes and assessments due





on said property are paid in full with interest and said payments are all made within twenty days from the date of the approval of this resolution, otherwise the resolution to be null et void and of no effect.

On petition of Lucy A. Betts:

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby requested and authorized to receive from Lucy A. Betts the principal amounts of the following assessments without interest, to wit:

Improvement of West Grand street, pile foundation, lots 59, 61 and 63 block 357..... \$21 95

Grading Monticello avenue, Newark Plank Road to 146 feet north of Columbia place, lots 59, 61 and 63, block 357..... 4 14

Improvement of Monticello avenue, Newark Plank Road to 146 feet north of Columbia place..... 29 16

Main sewer, Section "A" Second Drainage District, lots 59, 61 and 63, block 357..... 138 93

Provided all other assessments due on said property are paid with interest, and said payments are made within twenty days from the date of the approval of this resolution, otherwise the resolution to be null et void and of no effect.

On petition of A. R. Allen:

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby requested and authorized to receive from A. R. Allen the principal of the following assessments without interest to wit:

Sewer in South street, Ogden avenue and Cedar street, lots 18, 19 and 20, block 787..... \$634 00

Main sewer, Third Ward, Old Hudson City, lots 18, 19 and 20, block 787..... 29 00

Provided said payments are made within twenty days from the date of the approval of this resolution, otherwise the resolution to be null et void and of no effect.

The ayes and nays having been called on each of the above resolutions, the reports were received and the resolutions adopted by the following vote.

Ayes—President McDermott, Messrs. Datz, and McGill.

Absent—Messrs. Heppenheimer and Jordan.

#### MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

By Mr. Datz:

Resolved, That a warrant be ordered drawn upon the City Treasurer in favor of that Officer, for the sum of Thirty Thousand Dollars, to transfer that amount from assessment account to general account, to return part of loan.

The ayes and nays having been called on the above resolution, it was adopted by the following vote:

Ayes—President McDermott, Messrs. Datz, and McGill.

Absent—Messrs. Heppenheimer and Jordan.  
On motion the Board adjourned.

JOHN T. VAN CLEEF, Clerk.



Regular meeting of the Board of Finance and Taxation, held in the City Hall, Wednesday, January 23rd, 1884, at 7:30 o'clock p. m.

Present—All the members.

On motion the reading of the minutes of the last regular meeting was dispensed with, and they were approved as written.

#### PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS.

Petition of Henry Deubel to have an assessment cancelled.

Petition of Charles Clements for compromise of an assessment.

Petition of John E. Halladay for compromise of assessments.

All the above petitions were received and referred to the Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments.

#### PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS.

Claim of the American District Telegraph Company for \$3.84 for messenger service for the month of December, 1883; claim of E. S. Jackson & Co. of \$2.20 for taking up old carpet and shade cord; claim of John J. Corbett of \$26 for printing bill heads and assessment blanks.

All the above claims were received and referred to the Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies.

#### OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

Requisition from the City Clerk for printed blanks. Received and referred to the Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies.

Official bond of Charles Ertle as Inspector of scales, weights and measures, in the sum of \$1,000, with Joseph Jullien and Charles Stier as sureties.

Received and referred to the Committee on Finance and Claims.

Menzies C. Cleveland, agent for the collection of arrears of personal tax reported the receipts to January 19, 1884, to be \$474 71.

The City Comptroller reported the following total receipts of the City Treasury, January 17th to 23, 1884, both days included, at \$28,747.67.

The City Treasurer reported the total balance credited to all the accounts in the city depositories at the close of business this day at \$102,070.79.

All the above reports were received and ordered filed.

Resolution from the Board of Police Commissioners requesting transfer of \$3,000 from the account of the Committee on Lamps and Lights for the month of June to account of the same committee for the month of January, 1884.

Received and referred to the Committee on Finance and Claims.

The following concurrent resolutions were received from the Board of Public Works and referred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions:

1. Awarding contract to Valentine Puster for removing sewer refuse at the price named in his proposal, viz.: 50 cents per load of forty cubic feet.

2. Pay-roll of the Committee on Pumping and Reservoirs for the month of December, 1883, amounting to \$182.33.

3. Pay-roll of the Committee on Pumping and Reservoirs for the month of November, 1883, amounting to \$2,008.34.

4. Improvement of Sixteenth street, from Henderson street to Jersey avenue.

5. Ordering paid miscellaneous claims.

On motion the Board took a recess.  
The Board reassembled, all the members present.

#### REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Finance and Claims reported on claim of the New York Staats Zietung, recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of the New York Staats Zietung for the sum of \$60 for advertising sale of bonds under act of January 30, 1883.

The ayes and nays having been called on the above resolution, the report of the committee was received and the resolution adopted by the following vote:

Ayes—President McDermott, Messrs. Datz, Heppenheimer and Jordan.

Nay—Mr. McGill.

The same committee reported the official bonds of Charles Stuhr, George Sparks and Samuel Blakey as Inspectors of scales, weights and measures, and the official bond of Edlon A. Harrison as Surveyor of the Engineering Bureau, also the agreement between the Mayor and Aldermen of Jersey City and Elijah T. Paxton as Corporation Attorney, recommending that the same be spread at large on the Bond book and filed.

The same committee reported verbally on the following resolutions, recommending that they be placed on file.

1. Resolution from the Board of Fire Commissioners requesting transfer of unexpended balances from month to month.

Resolution from the Board of Police Commissioners requesting transfer of unexpended balances.

3. Resolution from the Board of Aldermen requesting transfer of unexpended balances.

4. Resolution from the Board of Public Works requesting transfer of unexpended balances.

The same committee reported on petition of John Whitmore, recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, that the petition of John Whitmore for privilege to pay taxes with improvement certificates be not granted for the reason that this Board can find no legal authority vested in them to grant such privilege.

The ayes and nays having been called the reports and recommendations of the committee were adopted unanimously.

The Committee on Concurrent Resolutions reported on concurrent resolution from the Board of Public Works, recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the pay-roll resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works January 7th, 1884, as presented by the Committee on Extension and Distributions for the month of December, 1883, amounting to \$1,483.03, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the pay-roll resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works January 7th, 1884, as presented by the Committee on Pumping and Reservoirs for the month of December, 1883, amounting to \$1,829.30, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works September 17, 1883, awarding contract to Michael Curley for the construction of a sewer in Manhattan avenue, from a point 375 feet east of Central avenue to and connecting with sewer in Central avenue, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works January 21st, 1884, to wit:

Resolved, That by and with the concurrence of the Board of Finance and Taxation the contract for the removal of sewer refuse from sewers of Jersey City be and is hereby awarded to Valentine Puster at the price named in his bid, viz.: fifty (50) cents per load of forty cubic feet, that being the lowest bid received, and that the Corporation Attorney be and is hereby requested to prepare and have executed the proper contract for the same, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

The ayes and nays having been called on each of the above resolutions, the reports of the committee were received and the resolutions adopted unanimously.

The Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments reported on petitions, recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

On petition of John E. Halladay:

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby authorized and directed to receive from John E. Halladay or his legal representative the face value of the following assessments, without any interest, on lot 10, block 445, to wit:

Improvement of Walnut St., (now Johnson ave.) Grand to Pine street, 1878	\$1 50
Sewer in Walnut St., Morris Canal to Pine street, 1874	8 12
Improvement Pacific ave., Communipaw ave to Grand St., 1874	73 06





Provided all other assessments and taxes due on said property are paid in full, with interest and costs, if any; and provided further that said payments are made within twenty days from the date of the approval of this resolution otherwise the resolution to be null et void and of no effect.

On petition of Charles Clements:

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby authorized and directed to receive from Charles Clements or his legal representative the face value of the following assessment, without any interest, on lot 13, block 706, to wit: Sewer in Palisade Ave. and Waverley St.

1878 ..... \$167 00

Provided all other assessments and taxes due on said property are paid in full, with interest and costs, if any; and provided further that said payments are made within twenty days from the date of the passage of this resolution, otherwise the resolution to be null et void and of no effect.

On petition of Andrew Holzberger:

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby authorized and directed to receive from Andrew Holzberger the face value of the following assessment on lots 14, 16, and 18, block 519, without any interest, to wit:

Sewer in Clinton ave., late Clinton place, Jackson to Bergen ave. .... \$48 20

Provided all other assessments and taxes due on said property are paid, with interest and costs, if any; and provided further that said payments are made within twenty days from the date of the approval of this resolution, otherwise the resolution to be null et void and of no effect.

On petition of James Gibson:

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby authorized and directed to receive from James Gibson or his legal representative the face value of the following assessment, without interest, to wit:

Improvement of Palisade Ave., Ravine Road to South St. .... \$228 00

Sewer in Palisade Ave. and Hutton St. .... 175 00

on lot 36, block 749. .... 2 34

Widening Broad or Franklyn St. and Mountain Road, lot 36, block 749. .... 16 00

Main sewer, 3rd ward, Old Hudson City, lots 36 and 37, block 749. .... 16 00

Provided all other assessments and taxes due on said property are paid in full, with interest and costs, if any; and provided further that said payments are made within twenty days from the date of the approval of this resolution, otherwise the resolution to be null et void and of no effect.

On petition of Alexander Bonnell:

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby authorized and directed to receive from Alexander Bonnell the face value of the following assessments, without any interest, on lots 64 and 65, block 548, to wit:

Improvement of Glendenny Ave., West Side Ave. .... \$46 78

Improvement West Grand St., pile foundation. .... 5 85

Provided all other assessments and taxes due on said property are paid in full, with interest and costs, if any; and provided said payments are made within twenty days from the date of the approval of this resolution, otherwise the resolution to be null et void and of no effect.

On petition of John K. Romaine:

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby authorized and directed to receive from John K. Romaine the face value of the following assessments, without any interest, on lots 9, 11 and 13, block 281, to wit:

Grading Bergen Ave. N. & N. Y. Plank Road to N. J. R. R. .... \$17 70

Improvement Fairview Ave. Monticello, to 1,000 feet west of Bergen Ave. .... 88 62

Improvement Bergen Ave. Communipaw Ave. to Montgomery Street. .... 29 50

Main Sewer Section "A" Second Drainage District. .... 25 32

Main Sewer Section "B" Second Drainage District. .... 472 80

Provided all other assessments and taxes due on said property are paid within twenty days from the date of the approval of this resolution, otherwise the resolution to be null et void, and of no effect whatever.

On petition of George W. Helms:

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby authorized and directed to receive from George W. Helms the face value of the following assessments, to wit:

Sewer in Gifford Place and Brinkerhoff Street from brow of the Hill to Monticello Ave., lots 1 and 4, block 409. .... \$1,858 86

Main Sewer Section "A" Second Drainage District, lots 1 and 4, block 409. .... 481 87

Improvement West Grand Street, Pile Foundation, lots 50 and 52, block 551. .... 11 14

Provided all other assessments and taxes due on said property, are paid in full with interest and costs, if any, and provided further that said payments are made within twenty days from the date of the approval of this resolution, otherwise the resolution to be null et void and of no effect whatever.

On petition of J. C. Finster:

Resolved, That the City Collector be authorized and directed to receive from J. C. Finster the principal amount of the following assessment on lots 14, 16, 18, block 519, without interest, to wit:

Sewer in Clinton avenue late Clinton place, Jackson to Bergen avenue. .... \$96 38

Provided all other assessments and taxes due on said property are paid in full with interest and costs if any, and provided further, that said payments are made within twenty days from the date of the passage of this resolution, otherwise the resolution to be null et void and of no effect.

On petition of Susan and Sarah Charles.

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Peter Senler, Agent for Susan and Sarah Charles, for the sum of \$39 50, to return said amount it being a duplicate payment on taxes for 1883, on lot 18, block 730, Fourth District, folio 115, City Collector to be notified.

On petition of W. J. Fish.

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby requested and authorized to receive from W. J. Fish or his legal representative the face value of the following assessments without interest on lot 1, block 598 and lot 13, block 562.

Sewer in Bergen Point Plank Road, Colden place to Sherman avenue. .... \$107 12

Main sewer Section "A" Second Drainage District. .... 1133 07

Assessment for improvement of West Grand street, pile foundation. .... 178 71

Provided all other assessments and taxes due on said property are paid in full with interest and costs if any, and provided further that said payments are made within twenty days from the date of the approval of this resolution otherwise the resolution to be null et void and of no effect whatever.

On petition of Charles E. Newham.

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby authorized and requested to cancel the assessment for Main sewer Ninth Ward, from Perry street to Old City line on lots 1 and 4, block 528, amounting to \$125, as re-confirmed. The said Charles E. Newham having paid the assessment as originally levied against said lots, as appears by the receipted bill and certificate of the City Collector attached to the petition.

On petition of The Second National Bank.

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of the Second National Bank for the sum of \$9.84, to return said amount it being a duplicate payment on personal taxes for 1883, three shares Second National Bank stock in the name of C. M. Munson, First District, folio 121 and that the City Collector be notified.

On petition of M. D. Vreeland.

Resolved, That the sum of \$46.66, be paid to M. D. Vreeland, to refund overcharge in interest on sale for taxes of 1874 of plot 132 and 682 Bergen and Van Keilen avenues, assessed to J. V. H. Glendennig, and redeemed from sale by said Vreeland, January 13th, 1881, this action to be endorsed on redemption certificate by City Clerk before delivery of the warrant.

On petition of William H. Romaine.

Resolved, That the City Collector be authorized for a reduction on assessment for

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"Lateral Sewer in Fairview avenue," be not granted for the reason that said sewer can be reached from his property and it is within the power of the petitioner to avail himself of the benefits from said sewer for which his property is assessed. The assessment on petitioners property is only \$276.03, whereas he owns one hundred feet frontage, and the adjoining property with one hundred feet frontage is assessed \$1,103.48.

The ayes and nays having been called on each of the above resolutions the reports were received and the resolutions adopted unanimously.

#### MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

By Mr. Jordan:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of George H. Farrier, County Collector, for the sum of twenty thousand dollars on account of county taxes for 1883-84.

By Mr. Jordan:

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn upon the City Treasurer in favor of that Officer as follows, to be deposited in the Hudson County National Bank to the credit of February 1883 Interest account.

On general account.....	\$40,590
On water account.....	6,500

By Mr. McGill:

Whereas, That portion of Jersey City known as Greenville, is without adequate or proper school accommodation, the present school building being besides insufficient to accommodate the number of applicants for school privileges, really unsafe and unsuited for school purposes, and

Whereas, A site for a new school building has been selected which apparently meets with universal public approval among the citizens of Greenville, therefore be it

Resolved, That in conformity with an act of the Legislature, approved February 13th, 1883, the sum of \$5,000, be borrowed from the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund, to be taken from the Sinking Fund of 1882 No. 1, and that a bond be executed by the Mayor and Aldermen under the corporate seal of the city in favor of the Sinking Fund Commissioners, payable three years from date of issue, at six per cent interest per annum, this amount to be returned to the Sinking Fund agreeable to the provisions of section second of the act above referred to.

The ayes and nays having been called on each of the above resolutions, they were adopted unanimously.

By Mr. McGill:

Whereas, It is rumored to the detriment of the financial credit of the City, that the present Comptroller will shortly resign his office, other and important interests demanding his individual time and attention, and preventing him from giving that close and constant supervision to the duties of the comptrollership so essential to the welfare of the City, particularly in the present precarious condition of its finances, and

Whereas, The uncertainty which attaches to the unsettled tenure of office by the Comptroller, has a prejudicial effect upon the City's credit, now in urgent need of every prop to sustain it, therefore be it

Resolved, That the financial interests of Jersey City demand that an honest intelligent and capable man should be immediately elected Comptroller, who shall give his sole time and attention to the duties of the office; that this Board is sensible of the obligation it is under to the present Comptroller for his services, and deeply regret that other interests more important to him, prevent the City from retaining his able and valuable services permanently, and be it further

Resolved, That the office of the City Comptroller is hereby declared to be vacant.

The President called Mr. Jordan to the chair and offered the following preamble and motion:

Whereas, The present City Comptroller Edward F. C. Young has not indicated a desire to resign his office, and the finances of this City are not in a precarious condition, and the occupancy of the office of City Comptroller by Mr. Young is not prejudicial to the City credit, and

Whereas, The present Comptroller is "honest, intelligent and capable," holding the respect and confidence of the community.

Moved, That the resolution offered by Mr. McGill be laid on the table.

The preamble and motion to lay upon the table the resolution of Mr. McGill, was put and carried by the following vote on call for the ayes and nays.

Ayes—President McDermott, Messrs. Datz Heppenheimer and Jordan.

Nay—Mr. McGill.

On motion the Board adjourned.

JOHN T. VAN CLEEF, Clerk.





Regular meeting of the Board of Finance and Taxation, held in the City Hall, Wednesday, January 30th, 1884, at 7.30 o'clock, P. M. Present, President McDermott, Messrs. Datz and Jordan.

Absent, Messrs. Heppenheimer and McGill.

On motion the reading of the minutes of the last regular meeting was dispensed with, and they were approved as written.

Mr. McGill here entered and took his seat and desired to be recorded in the negative on the approval of the minutes. His request was granted.

The following protest was received from Mr. McGill and ordered filed:

To the Honorable the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Gentlemen.—I hereby present to your honorable body my protest against the adoption of a part of the minutes of the Board as written for the meeting held January 23d, 1884, namely, a preamble and motion purporting to have been offered by President McDermott, in reference to a preamble and motion offered by myself concerning the City Comptroller, for the following reasons:

1st. That the importance of preserving an accurate record of the proceedings of a municipal Board, particularly a Board dealing with matters of so great import as the Board of Finance and Taxation is considered so great as to be required by express constitutional provisions. Having the character of records they are admissible as such and prove the fact adjudicated in the same manner and to the same extent with records of judicial courts.

2d. That any attempt to alter, change or falsify in any manner whatever or to cause to be inserted a transaction that never transpired is not only the creation of an untruthful and false record but indeed an illegal act.

3rd. That the said preamble was not offered at the regular meeting held January 23d, 1884.

4th. That according to parliamentary law (Cushing's law and practice of legislative assemblies Section 1283) all preambles and motions must be presented in writing before they can be considered by parliamentary bodies.

5th. That a motion "to lie on the table" is in parliamentary law known as a subsidiary motion made use of to dispose of a principal motion or question either for the time being or permanently. It is not debatable and being secondary to the question of debate cannot be incorporated with a preamble which negatives the main question.

6th. That Rule XIV of the rules of order adopted for the government of this Board has been openly violated by the insertion in the minutes of the preambles and motion above referred to.

#### PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS.

Petition of George P. Howell, agent, for the return of money paid in error on taxes.

Received and referred to the Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments.

#### PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS.

Claim of the Jordan Stationery Company of \$68.50 for stationery and printing.

Claim of T. J. Armstrong of \$35 10 for supplies furnished City Marshal.

All the above claims were received and referred to the Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies.

#### OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

Communication from the City Collector stating that he had received for collection the following assessment map:

Improvement of Central avenue from Hoboken to Congress street \$53,668 90.

The City Comptroller reported the following total receipts of the City Treasury, January 24th to 30th, 1884, both days inclusive at \$19,490.89.

The City Treasurer reported the following total balance credited to all the accounts in the city depositories at the close of business this day at \$113,233.61.

Both reports were received and ordered filed.

Requisition from the Clerk of the Board to have closet extended and enlarged.

Requisition from his Honor the Mayor for postage stamps.

Requisition from the Clerk of the Board for postage stamps, supplies and new gas fixtures.

All the above requisitions were received and referred to the Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies with power.

The Corporation Counsel sent to the Board a schedule showing the amount due to Charles E. Newham, for difference between the old and new assessment to be \$310.39.

Received and referred to the Committee on Finance and Salaries.

On motion, the Board took a recess.

The Board re-assembled—the same members present.

#### REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments reported on petition of E. B. Van Vorst, recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the City Collector be, and he is hereby authorized and requested to receive from E. B. Van Vorst, or legal representatives, the face value of the following assessments, without interest, on lots 1, 2, 3 and 4, blk. 379, to wit:

Paving Montgomery street, Jersey avenue to Mill Creek. - - - - - \$370 00

Flagging, curbing and grading Montgomery street, Jersey avenue to Mill Creek. - - - - - 254 00

Provided all other taxes and assessments due on said property are paid in full, with interest and costs, if any, and said payments are made within twenty days from the date of the passage of this resolution, otherwise the resolution to be null and void and of no effect.

The ayes and nays having been called on the above resolution, it was adopted by the following vote:

Ayes—President McDermott, Messrs. Datz, Jordan and McGill.

Absent—Mr. Heppenheimer.

The Committee on Concurrent Resolutions reported on concurrent resolution from the Board of Public Works, recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the pay-roll resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works January 21st, 1884, as presented by the Committee on Pumping and Reservoirs for the month of November, 1883, amounting to \$3,008.34, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

The ayes and nays having been called on the above resolution the report was received and the resolution adopted by the following vote:

Ayes—President McDermott, Messrs. Datz, Jordan and McGill.

Absent—Mr. Heppenheimer.

The Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies reported on claims recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

On claim of John J. Corbett:

Resolved, That the sum of \$26 be paid to John J. Corbett for printing bill heads and assessment blanks.



On claim of Clarke & Walter;

Resolved, That the sum of \$166.93 be paid to Clarke & Walter for stationery and printing Comptroller's reports.

On claim of the American District Telegraph Company:

Resolved, That the sum of \$3.84 be paid to the American District Telegraph Company for messenger service from November 1st to January 1st, 1884.

The ayes and nays having been called on the above resolution: the reports of the committee were received and the resolutions adopted by the following vote:

Ayes—President McDermott, Messrs. Datz, Jordan and McGill.

Absent—Mr. Heppenheimer.

#### REPORTS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEES.

The President reported on the collection of taxes due the city from the Philadelphia and Reading Railroad Company and recommended the adoption of the following resolution.

Resolved, That the city of Jersey City receive in settlement for tax bills, marked and distinguished by this Board with its seal, taxes due from the Philadelphia & Reading Railroad Company, the sum of \$87,169.99, being the face of said bills, with interest at the rate of seven per centum per annum to the first day of February, 1884, and that the City Treasurer and City Collector be and they are hereby authorized to receive in payment of said sum, together with the further sum of \$39,575.33, due from said company for the annual tax due in November, 1883, the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars cash and four notes of said company, payable as follows: three notes for twenty-five thousand dollars each, payable respectively February 8th, 15th and 22d, 1884, and one note for \$26,745.32, payable February 29th, 1884. That the City Collector and City Treasurer be and they are hereby authorized to receipt said bills as they relate to their respective offices, in accordance with this resolution, and that on the payment of all the notes received as

aforesaid; the City Clerk is further directed to cancel of record the sales made upon any of the taxes embraced in said bills.

The ayes and nays having been called on the above resolution, the report was received and the resolution adopted by the following vote:

Ayes—President McDermott, Messrs. Datz and Jordan.

Nay—Mr. McGill.

Absent—Mr. Heppenheimer.

#### MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

By Mr. Jordan—

Resolved, That the City Comptroller be and he is hereby instructed to transfer the sum of \$511.03 from the account of salaries, and the sum of \$217.05 from the account of Claims, Legal Expenses and Judgments to the account of Printing, Stationery and Supplies, Board of Finance and Taxation.

By Mr. Datz:

Resolved, That the Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies be and is hereby discharged from all further consideration of all matters referred to said Committee prior to the first day of January, 1884, and that said Committee be directed to deposit all aforesaid matters with the Clerk.

The ayes and nays having been called on each of the above resolutions, they were adopted by the following vote:

Ayes—President McDermott, Messrs. Datz, Jordan and McGill.

Absent—Mr. Heppenheimer.

The President called Mr. Jordan to the chair.

By President McDermott:

Moved and carried, That the vote taken on the resolution adopted January 23d, 1884, in regard to the payment for a site for a new school house in Greenville be reconsidered.

By President McDermott and carried:

Moved, That the resolution be laid upon the table.

On motion the Board adjourned.

JOHN T. VAN CLEEF, Clerk.





Special meeting of the Board of Finance and Taxation, held in the City Hall, Wednesday, January 30th, 1884, at 9 o'clock p. m.

Present—President McDermott, Messrs. Datz, Jordan and McGill.

Absent—Mr. Heppenheimer.

The President stated that the call was for the consideration of the payment on account of Bond No. 397, held by the Provident Institution for Savings.

Mr. Jordan offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That the City Comptroller be and he is hereby directed to draw a requisition upon

the City Treasurer in favor of the Provident Institution for Savings of Jersey City for the sum of fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) to be applied on account of bond numbered 397.

The yeas and nays having been called on the above resolution, it was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—President McDermott, Messrs. Datz, Jordan and McGill.

Absent—Mr. Heppenheimer.

On motion the Board adjourned.

JOHN T. VAN CLEEF, Clerk.



Regular meeting of the Board of Finance and Taxation, held in the City Hall, Wednesday, February 6th, 1884, at 7:30 o'clock p. m.

Present—Messrs. Datz, Heppenheimer, Jordan and McGill.

Absent—President McDermott.

On motion, Mr. Jordan was elected to act as President pro tempore.

On motion the reading of the minutes of the last regular meeting was dispensed with, and they were approved as written.

#### PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS.

Petition of Martin A. Adams for an adjustment of past due taxes, &c.

Received and referred to the Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments.

#### PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS.

Claim of John J. Corbett of \$5.50 for printing tax bills; claim of the American District Telegraph Company of \$5.54 for messenger service for January, 1884.

Both the above claims were received and referred to the Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies.

#### OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

Itemized requisitions were received from the City Clerk and City Marshal, both of which were referred to the Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies, with power.

Menzies C. Cleveland, Agent for the Collection of Arrears of Personal Tax, reported the following total receipts to February 2d, 1884, to be \$238.35—

The City Comptroller reported the following total receipts of the City Treasury, January 31st to February 6th, 1884, both days included, at \$148,480.28.

Both the above reports were received and ordered filed.

The Corporation Counsel sent to the Board a schedule for payment of difference between the old and new assessment, on petition of F. Boegler, showing the amount due to be \$97.11.

Received and referred to the Committee on Finance and Claims.

On motion the Board took a recess.

On reassembling the same members were present.

#### REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Concurrent Resolutions reported on concurrent resolutions from the Board of Public Works, recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the pay-roll resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works January 21st, 1884, as presented by the Committee on Pumping and Reservoirs for the month of December, 1883, amounting to \$182.33, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

The ayes and nays having been called on the above resolution, the report of the committee was received and the resolution adopted by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Datz, Heppenheimer, Jordan and McGill.

Absent—President McDermott.

The Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments reported on petition of the Point Breeze Ferry Company for the correction of an error on taxes, recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby directed to place upon the tax-book for the year 1882, in his office, for the Greenville portion of the Sixth District, a valuation of \$90,000, for property assessed to Point Breeze Ferry Company, described as "C. R. R. and Morris Canal," block 1,517, folio 532, in order to correct an error made in the assessment of the land owned by said company.

The ayes and nays having been called on the above resolution, the report of the committee was received and the resolution adopted by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Datz, Heppenheimer, Jordan and McGill.

Absent—President McDermott.

#### MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

On motion the Board adjourned.

JOHN T. VAN CLEEF, Clerk.





Regular meeting of the Board of Finance and Taxation held in the City Hall, Wednesday, February 13th, 1884, at 7.30 p. m.

Present—Messrs. Datz, Heppenheimer, Jordan and McGill.

Absent—President McDermott.

In the absence of the President Mr. Datz was elected to act as President pro-tempore.

The reading of the minutes of the last regular meeting was dispensed with and they were approved as written.

#### PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS.

Petitions of Lyman Fisk and George Darn for compromise of assessments.

Petitions of the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western R. R. Co. and Abraham Collard for adjustment of taxes.

Petition of Francis M. Hoag for cancellation of personal tax.

Petitions of Louisa M. Morrow, Daniel Toffey and Barbara Quinlan for return of money paid in error on taxes.

All the above petitions were received and referred to the Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments.

#### PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS.

Claim of the Hoboken Coal Company of \$59.50 for ten tons of coal at City Hall.

Claim of Evening Journal Association of \$55.50 for advertising taxes of 1883.

Both the above claims were received and referred to the Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies.

#### OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

The City Comptroller reported the following total receipts of the City Treasury February 7th to 13th, 1884, both days included, at \$37,320.08.

The City Treasurer reported the following total balance credited to all the accounts in the City Depositories at the close of business this day at \$65,544.70.

Both reports were received and ordered filed.

Resolution from the Board of Aldermen granting this Board permission to build a closet and allowing them the use of the Aldermanic Chamber for meeting purposes.

Resolution from the Board of Aldermen requesting this Board to give the Marshal control of the women employed to clean the City Hall.

Both of the above resolutions were received and ordered filed.

The following concurrent resolutions were received from the Board of Public Works and referred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions:

1. Fixing pay of firemen at Belleville.
2. Authorizing the Water Registrar to cancel the assessments on vacant property for water rents.
3. Authorizing committee to lay water pipe in Grace street, from Summit to Central avenues, in all about 750 feet.
4. Pay-roll of the Committee on Water Rates and Assessments for the month of January, 1884, amounting to \$1,300.02.
5. Pay-roll of the Committee on Extensions and Distributions for January, 1884, amounting to \$732.21.
6. Pay-roll of the Committee on Pumping and Reservoirs for January, 1884, amounting to \$2,081.77.
7. Two resolutions ordering paid certain claims.

On motion the Board took a recess.

The Board reassembled, the same members present.

#### REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Finance and Claims reported on resolution from the Board of Public Works requesting transfer, recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the City Comptroller be and he is hereby instructed to transfer the sum of \$73.23 from the account of the month of May appropriation for Public Buildings and Grounds to the account of month of January, same appropriation Board of Public Works fiscal year 1883-'84.

The same Committee reported on the official bond of Nicholas Arnold as Inspector of Scales, Weights and Measures, recommending that the same be received, read at large on the Bond Book, and ordered filed.

The President having called for the ayes and nays on the above resolution, the report of the committee was received and the resolution and recommendation adopted by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Datz, Heppenheimer, Jordan and McGill.

Absent—President McDermott.

#### MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

On motion the Board adjourned.

JOHN T. VAN CLEEF, Clerk.



Regular meeting of the Board of Finance and Taxation, held in the City Hall, Wednesday, February 20th, 1884, at 7.30 o'clock P. M.

Present—All the members.

On motion the reading of the minutes of the last regular meeting was dispensed with and they were approved as written.

#### PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS.

Petition of Henry W. Kuhl requesting the Board to concur in a resolution from the Board of Public Works authorizing the committee to lay a water pipe in Patterson street. Received and referred to Committee on Concurrent Resolutions.

Petitions for compromise of assessments were received from Myles Tierney, A. Clements, J. Keogh, the Home for Aged Women.

Petition of J. F. O'Sullivan for the reduction of taxes.

Petition of Dennis McLaughlin for the return of money paid in error on taxes of 1883 and 1884.

All the above petitions were received and referred to the Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments.

#### PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS.

Claim of Heppenheimer & Maurer of \$928.25 for official printing.

Claim of John J. Corbett of \$11 for official printing.

Claim of The Argus of \$4,350.50 for advertising redemption of lands from sale of taxes for 1876-77.

Claim of The Evening Journal of \$4,350.50 for advertising redemption of lands from sale of taxes for 1876-77.

All the above claims were received and referred to the Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies.

#### OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

Requisition from the City Clerk for blank bonds, received and referred to the Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies with power.

Official bond of James Howell as Inspector of Scales, Weights and Measures in the sum of \$1,000, with Mathias H. Howell and Thomas D. Mills as sureties.

Received and referred to the Committee on Finance and Claims.

Menzies C. Cleveland, agent for the collection of arrears of personal tax, reported the receipts to February 16, 1884, to be \$269.79.

The City Treasurer reported the following total balance credited to all the accounts, in the City Depositories at the close of business this day to be \$106,673.39.

The City Comptroller reported the following total receipts of the City Treasury February 14th to 20th, 1884, to be \$29,401.41.

All the above reports were received and ordered filed.

Resolution from the Board of Police Commissioners requesting transfer.

Received and referred to the Committee on Finance and Claims.

Resolution from the Board of Public Works requesting the appointment of a committee to confer with the American Water and Gas Pipe Company in reference to the purchase of the 20-inch main laid to supply the City of Bayonne with water. Received and referred to the Committee of the Whole.

Concurrent resolution from the Board of Public Works ordering paid certain claims. Received and referred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions.

On motion the Board took a recess.

The Board reassembled, all the members present.

#### REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Finance and Claims reported on claim of Gilbert Collins, Attorney, recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the sum of \$36.84 be paid to Gilbert Collins, Attorney, for taxed costs in the case of Henry Detwiller vs. Thomas Earle, City Treasurer.

The same committee reported on the official bonds of James Howell and Charles Ertle, recommending that they be received, spread at large on the Bond Book, and filed.

The ayes and nays having been called on the above resolution, the report of the committee was received and the resolution and recommendations adopted unanimously.

The Committee on Concurrent Resolutions reported on concurrent resolutions from the Board of Public Works, recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works September 10th, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That by and with the concurrence of the Board of Finance and Taxation the Committee on Extensions and Distributions be and is hereby authorized to purchase and lay about 170 lineal feet of six-inch cast iron water pipe in Harmon street, from Randolph avenue to a point about 150 feet north thereof on petition of Daniel O'Mara, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works, December 31st, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That \$8.50 and \$8.50 be paid to J. C. Herald; \$140.17 to Warner & Carscallen; \$5 to Dixon Crucible Co.; \$33.90 to Wood & Menough; \$50 to Wm. J. McAlpine; \$6 to Andrew McArar; \$3.80 to R. D. Wood & Co.; \$6 to J. C. Gas Light Co.; \$167.40 to Davenport, Treacy Co.; \$148.91 to Wood & Menough; \$25 to W. R. Leeds, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution, adopted by the Board of Public Works, January 21st, 1884, to-wit:

Resolved, That \$149.21 be paid to Warner & Carscallen, \$79.53 to Vanderbeck & Son, \$4 to R. H. McFarland, \$58.45 to James Muldoon, \$13 to R. A. Randall, \$11 to Patrick Sherry, \$26.55 to Wood & Menough, \$40.00 to Edward Marks, \$28.50 to A. B. Parsell, \$5.00 to Bartley Coyle, \$9.35 to John A. Gill, \$60 to John Griffin, \$4.00 to Patrick Sherry, \$7.75 to Patrick Ryan, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution, adopted by the Board of Public Works January 7th, 1884, to wit:

Resolved, That \$34.75 be paid to the Jordan Stationery Company, \$5.90 to John A. Whelan, \$15 to the Sunday Tattler, \$6 to William Gaston, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution, adopted by the Board of Public Works January 7th, 1884, to wit:

Resolved, That \$23.40 be paid to Valentine Puster, \$75 to William Van Keuren, \$62.92 to E. Losey, \$18 to J. C. Gas Light Co., \$3.84 to F. A. Smith, \$22.26 to American District Telegraph Co., be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution, adopted by the Board of Public Works December 24th, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That \$38.95 be paid to John Kelly for wheelwright work, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.





curred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution, adopted by the Board of Public Works February 11th, 1884, to wit:

Resolved, That \$7 and \$4 be paid to J. C. Herald: \$20, \$23, \$21.50 to The Argus; \$5.50, \$4.75, \$6.50, \$6.25, \$5.50 to John B. McGowan.

Be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works January 14, 1884, to wit:

Resolved, That \$9.10 be paid to The Argus, \$29.65 to Warner & Carscallen, \$19.12 to Wood & Menagh, \$14 to People's Gaslight Company, \$78.20 and \$247.80 to Davenport Treacy Co., \$20.15 to F. Porrett & Son, \$447.25 to Jordan Stationery Co., \$25.70 to Philip E. Martin, \$45 to Charles B. Brush, \$65 to Charles Knoop, \$4.75 to M. Madden.

Be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works January 14, 1884, to wit:

Resolved, That \$36 be paid to The Argus, \$20.50 to The Argus.

Be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works February 11th, 1884, to wit:

Resolved, That \$2.50 be paid to Henry O'Neill, \$5.60 to Henry Simpson, \$4, \$2.40 to J. C. Herald, \$9.10 to The Argus, \$174 to Charles E. Nugent, \$15 to E. Keeney, \$1.50 to W. H. Ewald & Bro., \$10.92 to Tebbenhoff & Bro., \$59.31 to Claus Prigge, \$15.70 to Edward Jones, \$13.50 to L. E. Wood, \$145.42 to Fox & Drummond, \$66.65 to W. H. Ewald & Bro., \$10, \$9.25 to Lynch & Murphy, \$8.75 to Wood & Menagh, \$16 to National Meter Co., \$25 to The Argus, \$13, \$5 to Albert Datz, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the pay-roll resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works February 11th, 1884, as presented by the Committee on Extension and Distributions for the month of January, 1884, amounting to \$732.21, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the pay roll resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works February 11th, 1884, as presented by the Committee on Pumping and Reservoirs for the month of January, 1884, amounting to \$2,081.77, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the pay roll resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works February 11th, 1884, as presented by the Committee on Water Rates and Assessments for the month of January, 1884, amounting to \$1,300.02, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

The President having called for the ayes and nays on each of the above resolutions, the reports of the committees were received and the resolutions adopted unanimously.

The Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments reported on petitions, recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

On petition of J. Keogh:

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby authorized and directed to receive from J. Keogh or his representative the face value of the following assessment on lot 23, block 380, without interest, to wit: Paving Montgomery street from Jersey avenue to Mill Creek, \$90; provided all other assessments and

taxes are paid in full, with interest and costs, if any, and provided further, that said payments are made within twenty days from the date of the passage of this resolution, otherwise the resolution to be null et void, and of no effect whatever.

On petition of A. Clements:

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby authorized and directed to receive from A. Clements or his representatives, the face value of the following assessment on lot 12, block 706, without any interest, to wit: Sewer in Palicade avenue and Waverly street, \$167; provided all other assessments and taxes due on said property are paid in full, with interest and costs, if any, and provided further that said payments are made within twenty days from the date of the passage of this resolution, otherwise the resolution to be null and void of no effect.

On petition of Lyman Fiske:

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby authorized and directed to receive from Lyman Fiske or his representative, the face value of the following assessment, without any interest, on lots 13, 13, 12, 11, 11; Assessor's Nos. 4, 5, 6, 7, block 7:—widening Montgomery street from Jersey avenue to Mill Creek (approved, 1874), \$143.49. Provided all other assessments and taxes due on said property are paid in full, with interest and costs, if any, and provided that said payments are made within twenty days from the date of the passage of this resolution, otherwise the resolution to be null and void and of no effect.

On petition of George Dorn:

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby authorized and directed to receive from George Dorn or his legal representative the face value of the following assessments, without interest, to wit:

Lateral sewer, Grove street, Ocean to Bergen, lot 77, block 661, \$162 77  
Improvement West Grand street, pile foundation, lots 77 and 78, block 661, 8 65  
Main sewer, First drainage district, lot 78 and 77, block 661, 73 54

Provided all other assessments and taxes due on said property are paid in full, with interest and costs, if any; and provided further said payments are made within twenty days from the date of the passage of this resolution, otherwise the resolution to be null et void and of no effect.

On petition of Louisa M. Morrow:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Louisa M. Morrow for the sum of \$27.37, being amount paid in error on personal taxes for the year 1876 at No. 433 Summit avenue as per certificate of the City Collector attached to the petition, the above amount as a duplicate payment and that the City Collector be notified.

The same committee reported verbally on petition of J. F. O'Sullivan for the reduction of taxes of 1883, recommending that the same be referred to the Corporation Counsel.

The ayes and nays having been called on each of the above resolutions the reports of the committee were received and the resolutions adopted unanimously.

The same committee reported on petition of the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railroad Company for an adjustment of taxes, recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That upon the payment to the City Treasurer of the one-third of the total amount due including interest and costs of sale for unpaid taxes of 1876, on lots 1 to 8, block 226, and two-thirds the amount due on lot 24, block 190, for same taxes, the City Clerk be and he is



hereby instructed to cancel the sale made of said property, August 29, 1881, for said taxes; and further

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby authorized to cancel the assessment for improvement of Central avenue, Hoboken avenue to Congress street, levied against lots 9, 10 and 11, block 705, Jefferson avenue, said property being used for railroad purposes by the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railroad and lying directly in the line of the road bed of said company.

The ayes and nays having been called on the above resolution it was adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—President McDermott, Messrs. Heppenheimer, Datz and Jordan.

Nay—Mr. McGill.

The Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies reported on claims, recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That warrants be drawn on the City Treasurer as follows: \$109.42 to William Braband, \$14 to Benjamin Nield, \$10.25 to Chelsea Ice Company, \$4.50 to B. F. Corduan, \$12 to N. J. Freie Presse, \$34 to the Argus, \$21.80 to Nicholas Van Thun, \$17.40 to N. J. Telephone, \$11.10 to Thomas H. Whelan, \$65.50 to Jordan Stationery Company, \$5.54 to American District Telegraph Co., \$6.35 to the N. J. Telephone Co., \$59.50 to the Hoboken Coal Company, \$55.50 to the Evening Journal Association, \$5.50 to John J. Corbett, \$52.80 to Jersey City Herald, \$11 to John J. Corbett.

The ayes and nays having been called on the above resolution the report of the Committee was received and the resolution adopted unanimously.

The same Committee reported on claim of Heppenheimer & Maurer recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the sum of \$928.25 be paid to Heppenheimer & Maurer for official printing.

The ayes and nays having called on the above resolution the report of the Committee was received and the resolution adopted by the following vote:

Ayes—President McDermott, Messrs. Datz, Jordan and McGill.

Mr. Heppenheimer being excused from voting.

The same Committee reported on claim of T. J. Armstrong, recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the sum of \$55.10 be paid to T. J. Armstrong for supplies.

Mr. Datz moved that the claim be laid over. The ayes and nays having been called the motion was lost by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Datz and Jordan.

Nays—President McDermott, Messrs. Heppenheimer and McGill.

The original resolution was then put and carried unanimously.

#### MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

By Mr. Jordan:

Resolved that a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of George H. Farrier, County Collector, for the sum of thirty thousand dollars (\$30,000), to be applied on account of county taxes for the year 1883-'84.

By Mr. Jordan:

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn upon the City Treasurer in favor of that officer, as follows, to be deposited in the Hudson County National Bank to the credit of March, 1884, interest account:

On general account . . . . .	\$5,719 00
On general account to pay interest on assessment bonds . . . . .	1,592 50
On water account . . . . .	19,145 00

By Mr. Heppenheimer:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of John T. Van Cleef for the sum of three hundred and fifty dollars, (\$350) in full for services as Clerk to the Board of Commissioners of Appeal in cases of taxation for the year 1883-84.

By Mr. Heppenheimer:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of William A. Creamer for the sum of forty-five dollars (\$45) in full for services in attendance on the Board of Commissioners of Appeal in cases of taxation for the year 1883-84.

By Mr. Datz;

Resolved, That the President of this Board be requested to examine the assessments of property in the several districts during the four years last past and report to this Board such suggestions as he may see fit concerning any improvement which may be made in the manner of making such assessments, and that M. C. Cleveland, agent for the collection of arrears of personal tax, be directed to render such assistance in the making of such examination as the President may deem necessary.

The ayes and nays having been called on each of the above resolutions they were adopted unanimously.

On motion the Board adjourned.

JOHN T. VAN CLEEF, Clerk.





Regular meeting of the Board of Finance and Taxation, held in the City Hall, Wednesday, February 27th, 1884, at 7.30 o'clock P. M.

Present—All the members.

On motion the reading of the minutes of the last regular meeting was dispensed with and they were approved as written.

#### PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS.

Bond of indemnity given by the American Exchange National Bank of New York, covering certain coupons lost or mislaid. Received and referred to the Committee on Finance and Claims.

Petitions for compromise of assessments were received from Henry O'Neill and John R. Roimaine.

Petition of Joseph Godfrey for the cancellation of tax sales.

Petition of Christopher Merry for the cancellation of tax sales.

All the above petitions were received and referred to the Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments.

#### PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS.

Claim of The Jersey City Argus of \$26 for printing manuals, pages 88 to 100.

Claim of the Chelsea Ice Co., of \$10.25 for ice furnished City Hall, from January 27th to February 27th, 1884.

Claim of Charles H. Scott of \$50.82 for building closet in City Hall.

All the above claims were received and referred to the Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies.

Claim of Elijah T. Paxton of \$133.88 for disbursements as Corporation Attorney from November 1st, 1883, to February 25th, 1884.

Received and referred to the Committee on Finance and Claims.

#### OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

The City Comptroller reported the following total receipts of the City Treasury February 21st to 27th, 1884, both days included at \$25,170.54.

The City Treasurer reported the following total balance credited to all the accounts, in the City Depositories at the close of business this day to be \$94,759.27.

Both reports were received and ordered filed. Resolution from the Board of Directors of Education, requesting transfer of \$86 from the account of Books, Stationery and Music to the account of Rentals, present fiscal year.

Resolution from the Board of Fire Commissioners, requesting transfer of \$425 from the account of Claims to account of Salaries each month, present fiscal year.

Both the above resolutions were received and referred to the Committee on Finance and Claims.

The following concurrent resolutions were received from the Board of Public Works and referred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions:

1. Authorizing committee to lay water pipe in James street, from Cherry lane to Dey street.

2. Ordering paid certain claims.

On motion the Board took a recess.

The Board reassembled, all the members present.

#### REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Finance and Claims reported on claim of Elijah T. Paxton for disbursements, recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the sum of \$133.88 be paid to Elijah T. Taxton for Disbursements as Corpo-

ration Attorney, from November 1st, 1883, to February 25th, 1884.

The ayes and nays having been called on the above resolution, the report of the committee was received and the resolution adopted unanimously.

The Committee on Concurrent Resolutions reported on concurrent resolutions from the Board of Public Works, recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works October 2nd, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That by and with the concurrence of the Board of Finance and Taxation, the Committee on Extensions and Distributions be and is hereby authorized to purchase and lay about 750 lineal feet of 8-inch cast iron water pipe in Grace street, from Summit avenue to Central avenue, on application of T. Chalelmat and others.

Be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works November 5, 1883, to wit:

Resolved, That by and with the concurrence of the Board of Finance and Taxation, the Committee on Extensions and Distributions be and is hereby authorized to lay about four hundred and thirty lineal feet of six-inch cast iron water pipe in Paterson street, from Pearce avenue to a point 375 feet west thereof, on a petition of H. W. Kuhl and others.

Be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works, February 18, 1884, to wit:

Resolved, That \$7.25, \$4.25, \$4.25 \$5.25 and \$4.25 be paid to N. J. Freie Presse; \$25.50 to Vanderbeek & Son; \$18.20 to Robert Muirhead; \$5.75 to John Cogan; \$3.25 and \$3.25 to N. J. Freie Presse; \$39.05 to John A. Vill; \$42.05 to F. P. Budden; \$11.25 to William Holcomb; \$16.28 to Wood & Menaugh; \$125 to Albert R. Leeds; \$22.67 to Newark Acqueduct Board; \$31.25 to Joseph Gardner; \$106.22 to Daniel Davis; \$32.50 to J. Donald & Co.; \$27.51 to Wood & Menaugh; \$14.50 to William Rappe; \$6.50 to Patrick Sherry; \$7.88 to William Holcomb; \$13.25 to Thomas Roles; \$53.10 and \$5.90 to William Whalen; \$24 to The Argus; \$324.75 to Shaw & Co.; Be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works, February 11, 1884, to wit:

Resolved, That \$32.40 be paid to R. H. McFarland, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution, adopted by the Board of Public Works January 7th, 1884, to wit:

Resolved, That \$56.50 be paid to the N. Y. and N. J. Telephone Company for exchange rental to December 1st, 1883, and tollage to September 20th, 1883, be and the same is hereby non-concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation for the reason that a certain portion of the claim has already been paid.

The ayes and nays having been called on each of the above resolutions the reports of the Committee were received and the resolutions and recommendation adopted unanimously.

The Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments reported on petitions, recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

On Petition of Henry O'Neill:

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby instructed to receive from Henry



O'Neill the following assessments, without any interest, to wit:

Paving Montgomery street, Jersey avenue to Mill Creek, on lot 10, block 343 \$90 00  
Flagging, curbing and grading Montgomery street, Jersey avenue to Mill Creek, lot 10, block 343 78 00  
Paving Montgomery street, Jersey avenue to Mill Creek, lot 10, block 343 4 00  
Grading, curbing and flagging Montgomery street, Jersey avenue to Mill Creek, lots 14, 15, 16, block 343 8 00

Provided all other assessments and taxes due on said property are paid in full, with interest and costs, if any; and provided further that said payments are made within twenty days from the date of the passage of this resolution, otherwise the resolution to be null et void and of no effect.

On petition of John R. Romaine:

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby instructed to receive from J. R. Romaine or his representative, the face value of the following assessments, without interest, on lots 9, 11, 13, block 281:

Grading, &c., Bergen avenue, Newark and New York plank road to N. J. R. R. \$17 70

Improvement of Fairmount avenue, Monticello to 1,000 feet west of Bergen avenue 88 63

Improvement of Bergen avenue, Communipaw avenue to Montgomery street 29 50

Main sewer, Section A, Second Drainage District 25 32

Main sewer, Section B, Second Drainage District 472 80

Provided all other assessments and taxes due on said property are paid in full, with interest and costs, if any; and provided further, that said payments are made within twenty days from the date of the passage of this resolution, otherwise the resolution to be null et void and of no effect.

On petition of the Home for Aged Women:

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby authorized and directed to receive from The Home for Aged Women or their representative the face value of the following assessment without interest to wit:

Sewer in Mercer street, Gilbert and Putnam streets, lot 24, block 381, confirmation approved Dec. 1st, 1871 \$ 65 00  
Sewer in Mercer street, Gilbert to Putnam streets, lots 26 and 25, block 381, confirmation approved Dec. 1st, 1871 130 00

Provided all other assessments and taxes due on said property are paid full with interests and costs if any, and provided further that said payments are made within twenty days from the date of the passage of this resolution otherwise the resolution to be null et void and of no effect.

On petition of George Dorn:

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby instructed and authorized to receive from George Dorn, or his representative, the face value of the following assessment, on Lot 77 and 78, Block 661, to-wit:

Improvement of Grand street, Ocean to Bergen avenue; confirmation approved January 20, 1871, \$246.51

Provided that all other assessments and taxes due on said property are paid in full with in-

terest and costs, if any; and provided further that said payments are made within twenty days from the date of the passage of this resolution, otherwise the resolution to be null et void and of no effect.

On petition of Myles Tierney:

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby authorized and directed to receive from Myles Tierney or his representative, the face value of the following assessment on lot 11, block 305, without interest, to wit:

Sewer in York street, Jersey avenue, in Varick street, confirmation approved August 17, 1871. \$205 34

Provided all other assessments and taxes due on said property are paid in full, with interest and costs, if any; and provided further that said payments are made within twenty days from the date of the passage of this resolution, otherwise the resolution to be null et void and of no effect.

On petition of Dennis McLaughlin:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Dennis McLaughlin for the sum of \$6, being amount overpaid on taxes for the year 1883, on lots 20, block 256, and lot 32, block 322, Second District, the error having been made in the addition and that the City Collector be notified.

On petition of J. F. O'Sullivan:

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby authorized and requested to correct the valuation placed on lot 24, block No. 1, 219 Grove street, assessed to J. F. O'Sullivan from \$5,000 to \$3,600 for the year 1883, as per certificate of the Assessor, the error occurred in transposing.

The ayes and nays having been called on each of the above resolutions the reports of the committee were received and the resolutions adopted unanimously.

#### MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

By Mr. Heppenheimer:

Resolved, That the term of the present City Comptroller expire on the sixth day of March, 1884.

By Mr. Heppenheimer:

Resolved, That John F. Kelly be and he is hereby appointed the City Comptroller of Jersey City at a salary at the rate of \$2,400 per annum.

and that his bonds be fixed at \$50,000, the said John F. Kelly to give his written consent to perform the duties of said office for said compensation and the term of office of said John F. Kelly to commence at the expiration of the term of office of the present City Comptroller, March 6, 1884.

The ayes and nays having been called on the above resolution they were adopted by the following vote:

Ayes—President McDermott, Messrs. Datz, Heppenheimer and McGill.

Nay—Mr. Jordan.

By Mr. McGill:

Resolved, That the thanks of this Board be extended to E. F. C. Young for the able and faithful discharge of his duties while acting as Comptroller.

The ayes and nays having been called on the above resolution it was adopted unanimously.

On motion the Board adjourned.

JOHN T. VAN CLEEF, Clerk.





Regular meeting of the Board of Finance and Taxation held in the City Hall, Wednesday, March 5th, 1884, at 7:30 o'clock, p. m.

Present—All the members.

On motion the reading of the minutes of the last regular meeting was dispensed with and they were approved as written.

#### PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS.

Petition of Haines & Hallock for cancellation of tax sales.

Petition of Henry Lembeck for an adjustment of assessment.

Both the above petitions were received and referred to the Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments.

Communication from John F. Kelly, accepting the office and agreeing to perform the duties of City Comptroller at a salary of \$2,400.

Received and ordered filed.

#### PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS.

Claim of Thomas Kennelly of \$25 for building closet for Board of Finance and Taxation.

Claim of William W. Farrier of \$15.26 for gas fixtures in closet for Board of Finance and Taxation. Both the above claims were received and referred to the Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies.

#### OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

Itemized requisitions were received from His Honor the Mayor, the City Treasurer, and the Clerk of the Board of Finance and Taxation, all of which were received and referred to the Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies with power.

Official bond of John F. Kelly as City Comptroller in the sum of \$50,000, with Dennis McLaughlin, Hugh Dugan, Ferdinand Heintze, James Terry and Philip Tumulty as sureties.

Received and referred to the Committee on Finance and Claims.

The City Comptroller reported the following total receipts of the City Treasury February 25th to March 5th, 1884, both days included, at \$29,404.70.

The City Treasurer reported the following total balance credited to all the accounts in the City Depositories at the close of business this day to be \$102,751.20.

Both the above reports were received and ordered filed.

Communication from the City Collector stating that he had received in his office for collection the following assessment map:

Sewer in Beacon avenue, from Falsade to Oakland avenue, amounting to \$7,179 30

The Communication was received and ordered filed.

In accordance with a resolution adopted by this Board November 12th, 1883, the City Comptroller presented a statement showing the financial condition of the city for the quarter ending March 1st, also a statement of the receipts and disbursements of the city government (except water account) for the quarter ending February 29th, 1884.

Both statements were received and referred to the Committee on Finance and Claims.

Resolution from the Board of Public Works, requesting transfer of \$1,200 from account of Reconstruction of Streets and Sewers, for the purpose of building a sewer in drain between old Bergen Road and Ocean avenue.

Received and referred to the Committee on Finance and Claims.

The following concurrent resolutions were received from the Board of Public Works, and referred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions:

1. Pay-roll of the Committee on Extensions and Distributions for the month of February, 1884, amounting to \$501.23.

2. Pay-roll of the Committee on Pumping and Reservoirs for the month of February, 1884, amounting to \$2,067.19.

3. Authorizing Committee to lay water pipe in Bramhall avenue, from end of pipe east of Woodward street, to a point 50 feet west of Woodward.

4. Ordering paid certain claims.

On motion, the Board took a recess.

The Board reassembled. All the members present.

#### REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Finance and Claims reported verbally the official Bonds of John F. Kelly as City Comptroller, and James E. Dunn and William Kennedy as Inspectors of Scales, Weights and Measures, recommending that they be received, spread at large on the Bond Book, and ordered filed.

The ayes and nays having been called on the above recommendations they were adopted unanimously.

The Committee on Concurrent Resolutions reported on concurrent resolutions from the Board of Public Works, recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the pay-roll resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works, March 3, 1884, as presented by the Committee on Extension and Distributions for the month of February, 1884, amounting to \$501.23, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the pay-roll resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works March 3, 1884, as presented by the Committee on Pumping and Reservoirs for the month of February, 1884, amounting to \$2,067.19, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works, February 18, 1884, to wit:

Resolved, That \$29.75 be paid to R. H. McFarland for stationery, be and is hereby non-concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation for the reason that the prices charged for stationery are too high.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works February 18, 1884, to wit:

Resolved, That \$21 be paid to William Gaston; \$15 to Patrick Sherry; be, and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution, adopted by the Board of Public Works, February 25, 1884, to wit:

Resolved, That \$17.50, \$15.50, \$35, \$37.50 be paid to the Evening Journal Association; \$71.56 to F. A. Smith; \$8 36 to Philip E. Martin; \$5 50 to Northrup & Co.; \$137 98 to Henry Stuhr; \$9.75 to Jordan Stationery Co.; \$45 to E. W. Keeney; \$45 to Davenport, Treacy & Co.; \$50 to John Griffin; \$17.38 to Edward Jones; \$36 78 to Warner & Carscallen, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

The ayes and nays having been called for on each of the above resolutions the reports of the committee were received and the resolutions adopted unanimously.

The Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments reported the salary list for the month of February, 1884, recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That warrants be drawn for the payment of salaries for the month of February, 1884, when due, viz:



Isaac W. Taussig, Mayor,	\$166 66
Thomas Earle, City Treasurer,	200 00
Edward F. C. Young, City Comptroller	200 00
James H. Love, City Collector,	200 00
Wm. Brinkerhoff, Corporation Counsel	333 33
Elijah T. Paxton, Corporation Attorney,	150 00
John T. Van Cleef, Clerk to Board of Finance and Taxation,	100 00
Isaac Morrow, Jr., Clerk to Treasurer,	100 00
Geo. R. Hough, Clerk to Comptroller,	100 00
Andrew D. Whyte, Assistant Collector	110 00
S. D. Dickinson, Clerk to Collector,	88 33
John T. M. Taylor, Clerk to Collector,	70 00
Lewis E. Smith, " " "	70 00
Charles Krebs, " " "	70 00
James E. Connolly, " " "	70 00
William H. Tuttle, " " "	70 00
Charles Freeman, " " "	70 00
Patrick O'Neill, Messenger,	60 00
Menzies Cleveland, Agent for the collection of arrears of personal tax,	75 00
Charles S. Westervelt, Clerk to Comptroller,	70 00
William H. Powell, Marshal Second District Court,	50 00
Thomas K. Halstead, Clerk to City Clerk,	75 00
N. E. Feury, Clerk to City Clerk,	75 00
R. L. Hudson, Clerk to City Clerk,	66 66
James F. Gannon, Assessor First District,	125 00
Dennis McLaughlin, Assessor Second District,	125 00
Hugh Dugan, Assessor Third District,	125 00
John Wright, Assessor Fourth District,	125 00
Francis W. Mitchell, Assessor Fifth District,	125 00
James C. Clarke, Assessor Sixth District,	125 00
The Argus printing minutes	208 33
The Evening Journal printing minutes	208 33
Bridget Parker, cleaning rooms in City Hall	30 00
Elizabeth Lynch, cleaning rooms in City Hall	30 00
The same committee reported the following petitions recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:	
On petition of John Quackenbush:	
Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby requested and authorized to receive from John Quackenbush or his representative the face value of the following assessments without interest:	
Grading, flagging and cross bridging Webster avenue, from South to North street,	
on lot 41, block 795	\$ 65 92
Sewer in South street, lot 41, block 795	3 60
Provided all other assessments and taxes due on said property are paid in full with interest and costs, if any; and provided, further, that said payments are made within twenty days from the date of the passage of this resolution, otherwise the resolution to be null et void and of no effect.	
On petition of A. J. Nelson:	
Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby requested to receive from A. J. Nel-	

son or his representative the face value of the following assessment on lots 133, 134 and 135, block 783, without interest, to wit:

Sewer in South street \$160 00

Provided all other assessments and taxes due on said property are paid in full with interest and costs, if any; and provided, further, that said payments are made twenty days from the date of the passage of this resolution, otherwise the resolution to be null et void and of no effect whatever.

On petition of Haines & Hallock:

Resolved, That the City Clerk is hereby directed to cancel of record the sale made to the City Treasurer August 25, 1879, for taxes of 1871 of four lots on Waverly avenue assessed to Haines, the said property having been twice assessed for said year and once paid by the owner December 15, 1871.

On petition of G. P. Howell:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of George P. Howell for the sum of \$45.92 to return said amount, it being a duplicate payment on taxes for the year 1883, on lot 14, block 415, the same having been paid once on the 21st day of December, 1883, by the owner, Luke Clarke, and again by G. P. Howell on the 31st day of December, 1883, City Collector to be notified.

On petition of Daniel Toffey:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Daniel Toffey for the sum of four 30-100 dollars to return said amount, it having been paid in error on taxes of 1881, the error occurring in the addition of the various items on his tax bill for said year, and that the City Collector be notified.

The ayes and nays having been called on each of the above resolutions, the reports of the committee were received and the resolutions adopted unanimously:

The Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies reported the following claims for payment recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

On claim of the Argus:

Resolved, That the sum of \$26 be paid to the Argus for printing manuals pages 88 to 100.

On claim of the Chelsea Ice Company:

Resolved, That the sum of \$10.25 be paid to the Chelsea Ice Company for ice furnished City Hall from January 27th to February 27th, 1884.

The ayes and nays having been called on each of the above resolutions, the reports of the committee were received and the resolutions adopted unanimously.

#### MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

By Mr. Heppenheimer:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn upon the City Treasurer in favor of E. F. C. Young for the sum of \$53.34, being in full for five days' services as City Comptroller.

The ayes and nays having been called on the above resolution, it was adopted unanimously.

On motion the Board adjourned to meet Saturday, March 8th, 1884, at 4 o'clock p. m.

JOHN T. VAN CLEEF, Clerk.





Regular adjourned meeting of the Board of Finance and Taxation, held in the City Hall, Saturday, March 8th, 1884, at 4 o'clock p. m.

Present—President McDermott, Messrs. Datz, Heppenheimer and Jordan.

Absent—Mr. McGill.

The minutes of the last meeting having been read, they were approved as written.

There being no further business, the Board adjourned.

JOHN T. VAN CLEEF, Clerk.



Regular meeting of the Board of Finance and Taxation held in the City Hall, Wednesday, March 12th, 1884, at 7:30 o'clock, p. m.

Present—Messrs. Datz, Jordan and McGill.

Absent—President McDermott and Mr. Heppenheimer.

In the absence of the President Mr. Datz was elected to act as president *pro tempore*.

On motion the reading of the minutes of the last regular meeting was dispensed with and they were approved as written.

#### PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS.

Petitions for compromise of assessments were received from John Fraser, Robert Campbell and Mary Donnington, all of which were referred to the Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments.

#### PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS.

Claim of William Brinkerhoff of \$39.64 for cash paid to Leon Abbett for disbursements from December 1st, 1883, to January 12th, 1884.

Received and referred to the Committee on Finance and Claims.

Claim of Peter M. Hall of \$8.50 for one office chair; claim of B. B. Davis & Son of \$31.35 for painting and graining closet in office of the Board of Finance and Taxation; claim of the American District Telegraph Co. of \$3.25 for messenger service for the month of February, 1884; claim of W. M. Baker of \$25 for four warrant books; claim of B. F. Corduan of \$3.50 fitting locks, &c.

All the above claims were received and referred to the Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies.

#### OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

Requisition from the City Comptroller for printing; requisition from the Clerk of the Board of Finance and Taxation to have the office papered and painted. Both the above requisitions were received and referred to the Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies.

The City Comptroller reported the following total receipts of the City Treasury, March 6 to 12, 1884, both days to be \$31,259.79.

The City Treasurer reported the following total balances credited to all the accounts in the city depositories at the close of business this day to be \$120,791.25.

Both reports were received and ordered filed.

Resolution from the Board of Public Works requesting transfer of the amount appropriated for public buildings and grounds for the months of June and July to the same account for the month of March, 1884, for the purpose of paying claims. Received and referred to the Committee on Finance and Claims.

The following concurrent resolutions were received from the Board of Public Works and referred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions:

1. Pay-roll of the Committee on Water Rates and Assessments for the month of February, 1884, amounting to \$1,300.02.
2. Pay-roll of the Committee on Extension and Distributions for the month of February, 1884, amounting to \$600.57.
3. Ordering paid certain claims of the Evening Journal.
4. Ordering paid certain claims.

On motion the Board took a recess.

The Board reassembled, the same members present.

#### REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Finance and Claims reported on resolution from the Board of Direc-

tors of Education recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the City Comptroller be and he is hereby instructed to transfer the sum of \$86 from the account of books, stationery and music to the account of rentals, Board of Directors of Education, fiscal year 1883-'84.

The same committee reported on resolution from the Board of Public Works recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the City Comptroller be, and he is hereby instructed to transfer the amounts appropriated to the account of Public Buildings and Grounds for the months of June and July, to the credit of the same committee for the month of March, 1884, Board of Public Works.

The same committee reported on resolution from the Board of Police Commissioners recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the City Comptroller be, and he is hereby instructed to transfer the sum of \$200 from the account of the month of June appropriation for Station Houses and Prisons to the account of the month of February, same appropriation, and the sum of \$100 from the account of the month of July to the account of the month of March, same appropriation, fiscal year, 1883-'84, Board of Police Commissioners.

The same committee reported on resolutions from the Board of Fire Commissioners recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the City Comptroller be and he is hereby instructed to transfer the sum of \$10.64 from the account of salaries to the account of claims, Board of Fire Commissioners, fiscal years 1881 and 1882, to pay claim of S. D. Hurst.

Resolved, That the City Comptroller be and he is hereby instructed to transfer the sum of \$425.00 from the account of each month's appropriations for claims to the account of salaries each month, Board of Fire Commissioners, fiscal years 1883 and 1884.

The ayes and nays having been called on each of the above resolutions the reports of the committee were received and the resolutions adopted by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Datz, Jordan and McGill.

Absent—President McDermott and Mr. Heppenheimer.

The Committee on Concurrent Resolutions reported on concurrent resolutions from the Board of Public Works, recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the pay-roll resolution, adopted by the Board of Public Works March 10, 1884, as presented by the Committee on Water Rates and Assessments for the month of February, 1884, amounting to \$1,300.02, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution, adopted by the Board of Public Works March 3d, 1884, to wit:

Resolved, That \$4.50, \$4.50, \$3.50 be paid to J. C. Herald; \$117.89 to Warner and Carscallan; \$53 to Mansfield & Fagan; \$120 to William Anderson; \$41.60 to James Donald & Co.; \$163.20 to P. E. Martin; \$70.99 to Wood & Menagh; \$38.50 to Thomas Howe; \$184.69 to D. O'Donovan; \$109.39 to Wood & Menagh; \$12.50 to J. V. Maxwell & Co.; \$15 to George Savage; \$2.40 to J. C. Herald; \$15 to E. J. Whalen, agent; \$23.20 to Philip E. Martin; \$7.50 to Jordan Stationery Co., be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

The ayes and nays having been called on





each of the above resolutions, the reports of the committee were received and the resolutions adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Datz, Jordan and McGill.

Absent.—President McDermott and Mr. Heppenheimer.

The Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies reported on claims recommending the adoption of the following resolution :

On claim of W. M. Baker :

Resolved, That the sum of \$25 be paid to W. M. Baker for four warrant books delivered to City Clerk.

On claim of Peter M. Hall :

Resolved, That the sum of \$8.50 be paid to Peter M. Hall for one office chair furnished the office of the Board of Finance and Taxation.

The ayes and nays having been called on the above resolutions the reports of the Committee were received and the resolutions adopted by the following vote :

Ayes—Messrs. Datz, Jordan and McGill.

Absent.—President McDermott and Mr. Heppenheimer.

#### MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

On motion the Board adjourned.

JOHN T. VAN CLEEF, Clerk.



Regular meeting of the Board of Finance and Taxation held in the City Hall, Wednesday, March 19th, 1884, at 7:30 o'clock, p. m.

Present—All the members.

On motion the reading of the minutes of the last regular meeting was dispensed with and they were approved as written.

#### PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS.

Petition of August T. Post for payment of lost coupons.

Received and referred to the Committee on Finance and Claims.

Petition of W. B. Williams for cancellation of tax sales.

Petitions for compromise of assessments were received from B. M. Rommell, The Bergen Savings Bank, R. C. Washburne, R. Castlebury, Vreedenburgh & Garretson and A. R. Allen.

All the above petitions were received and referred to the Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments.

#### PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS.

Claim of Schmalze Bros. & Hildebrand of \$55 for one Book of 200 Bonds.

Claim of The Argus of \$81.60 for official advertising and printing manuals.

Claim of John J. Corbett of 41.55 for stationery furnished offices in the City Hall.

Claim of Phillip E. Martin of \$12.40 for gas-fitting, &c., in office of Board of Finance and Taxation.

All the above claims were received and referred to the Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies.

#### OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

Requisition from the City Marshal for coal, and from the City Comptroller for shades.

Both of which were received and referred to the Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies, with power.

The City Comptroller reported the following total receipts of the City Treasury, March 13th to 19th, 1884, both days included, at \$27,915.37.

The City Treasurer reported the following total balance credited to all the accounts in the city depositories at the close of business this day to be \$133,257.

Both the above reports were received and ordered filed.

Communication from the City Clerk certifying under the Seal of the City that Thomas D. Jordan, Emil E. Datz, and Augustus A. Hardenbergh had taken the oath of office as members of the Board of Finance and Taxation of Jersey City, under and by virtue of appointments made by his Honor the Mayor in pursuance of an act of the Legislature, entitled An act concerning cities in this State, approved March 31st, 1882.

The communications were received and ordered filed.

Resolution from the Board of Public Works requesting transfer of \$450 from the account of Reconstruction of Streets and Sewers to the account of Streets and Sewers, fiscal year, 1883-84, for the purpose of making repairs to Manhattan avenue from Nelson avenue to County Road.

Resolution from the Board of Public Works requesting transfer of \$32.50 from the appropriation for Public Buildings and Grounds, 1883-84, for the payment of claim of Garret J. Condon for superintending on improvement of Fairmount avenue.

Both the above resolutions were received and referred to the Committee on Finance and Claims.

The following concurrent resolutions were received from the Board of Public Works and

referred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions:

1. Pay-roll of the Committee on Pumping and Reservoirs for time lost by employes at Belleville owing to the operation of the two-for-one rule from September, 1881, to January 1st, 1884.

2. Ordering paid certain claims.

On motion the Board took a recess.

The Board re-assembled, all the members present.

#### REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Finance and Claims reported on petitions for difference between old and new assessments recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of William G. Bumstead, attorney of Edward Caulfield for the sum of \$635.52, being the difference between the old and new assessment for pavement on Grand street, Barrow to Mill Creek, on lots 71 and 72, block 339, warrant to pay taxes, assessments and water rents.

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of William G. Bumstead, attorney of Ferdinand Bogler for the sum of \$97.11, being the difference between the old and new assessment for improvement of Claremont avenue, from Ocean avenue to Bergen Point Plank Road on lots 25 and 26, block 667, warrant to be used to pay taxes, assessments and water rents.

The same Committee reported on resolution from the Board of Police Commissioners requesting transfer recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the City Comptroller be and he is hereby instructed to transfer the sum of \$3,000 from the account of the month of June appropriation for lamps and lights to the account of the month of January, same appropriation, Board of Police Commissioners fiscal year 1883-84.

The same Committee reported on resolution from the Board of Public Works, requesting transfer recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the City Comptroller be and he is hereby instructed to transfer the sum of \$450.00 from the account of reconstruction of Streets and Sewers to the account of Streets and Sewers Board of Public Works, fiscal year 1883-84, for the purpose of making repairs to Manhattan avenue, from Nelson avenue to County Road.

The same committee reported on claim of William Brinkerhoff for disbursements, recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of William Brinkerhoff for the sum of \$39.64 for cash paid to Leon Abbett for disbursements from December 1st to January 12th, 1884.

The yeas and nays having been called for on each of the above resolutions the reports of the committee were received and the resolutions adopted unanimously.

The Committee on Concurrent resolutions reported on concurrent resolutions from the Board of Public Works, recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works February 11th, 1884, to wit:

Resolved, That by and with the concurrence of the Board of Finance and Taxation the pay of all firemen at Belleville, who occupy houses owned by the City, be fixed at \$55 per month, and that the pay of all other firemen at Belle-





vile be fixed at the sum of \$60 per month. Be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works March 10, 1884, to wit:

Resolved, That \$26.65 be paid to James Muldoon; \$26.50 to M. Madden; \$7.80 and \$7.80 to the Evening Journal Association; \$119.62 to F. W. Leake; \$6.80 to Washburne Brothers; \$24.63 to H. R. Worthington; \$7.35 to John Ashcroft Manfg. Co.; \$6.55 and \$7 to John A. Vill; \$210 to Phillip E. Martin; \$45.38 to Jordan Stationery Company; \$9.01 to Lynch & Murphy; \$29.80 to National Meter Company. Be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution, adopted by the Board of Public Works, March 10th, 1884, to-wit:

Resolved, That \$17.50, \$15, \$30, \$20 and \$20 be paid to the Evening Journal Association for advertising be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the pay roll resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works, March 10th, 1884, as presented by the Committee on Extensions and Distributions for the month of February, 1884, amounting to \$600.57, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

The same committee reported verbally on resolution from the Board of Public Works, "directing the Water Registrar to cancel all charges for water rents remaining unpaid on vacant lots and lots on which buildings stand wherein no water was used for the year or years for which such charges were made," recommending that the same be returned to the Board of Public Works in order to have the words "or introduced" inserted.

The ayes and nays having been called on each of the above resolutions, the reports of the Committee were received and the resolutions adopted unanimously.

The Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments reported on petitions recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

On petition of Washburne & Campbell:

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby instructed to receive from Washburne & Campbell the following named assessments without any interest, to wit:

Main sewer, Section "B," Second Drainage District, lots 9, 10 and 11, block 347, confirmed 1874.	\$380 24
Improvement of Fairmount avenue, Grand to Summit, lots 9, 10 and 11, block 347, confirmed 1878.	324 00
Main sewer, Section "A," 2d Drainage District, lot 35, block 558, confirmed 1874	26 11
Main sewer, Section "A," 2d Drainage District, lots 9, 10 and 11, block 347, confirmed 1874	20 25
Improvement Palisade (now Summit) avenue, Grand to Crawford street, lot 14, block 285, confirmed 1878	7 50
Improvement Fairmount avenue, Grand street to Summit avenue, lot 14, block 285, confirmed 1878	5 00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$763 00</b>

Provided all other assessments and taxes due on said property are paid in full, with interest and costs, if any; and, provided further, that said payments are made within twenty days from the date of the passage of this resolution, otherwise the resolution to be null et void and of no effect.

On petition of John Fraser:

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby authorized and directed to receive from John Fraser or his representative the face value of the following assessment without any interest to wit:

Main sewer Bowers street, lots 3 and 4, block 702 . . . . . \$182 00

Provided all other assessments and taxes due on said property are paid in full with interest and costs, if any, and provided further that said payments are made within twenty days from the date of the passage of this resolution, otherwise the resolution to be null et void and of no effect.

On petition of R. Castlebury:

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby authorized and directed to receive from R. Castlebury or her representative the face value of the following assessment on lots 377 and 376, block 745, without interest, to wit: Sewer in Sherman avenue, Franklin to

Hutton street . . . . . \$144 00

Provided all other assessments and taxes due on said property are paid in full with interest and costs, if any; and provided further, that said payments are made within twenty days from the date of the passage of this resolution, otherwise the resolution to be null et void and of no effect.

On petition of Robert Campbell:

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby directed and authorized to receive from Robert Campbell or his representative the face value of the following assessments without interest, to wit:

Extending Warren street from east side of Paterson plank road to Hoboken city line, lot 80, block 784.	\$2 33
Improvement of Warren street, now Congress, from Paterson plank road to Central avenue, lot 80, block 784.	21 31
Improvement of Webster avenue from South to North streets, lot 8, block 784.	91 56
Sewer in South street, lot 80, block 784.	8 00
Main sewer, Third Ward, old Hudson City, lot 80, block 784.	8 00

Provided all other assessments and taxes due on said property are paid in full with interest and costs, if any; and provided further, that said payments are made within twenty days from the date of the passage of this resolution, otherwise the resolution to be null et void and of no effect.

On petition of Mary Darrington:

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby instructed to receive from Mary Darrington or her representative the face value of the following assessments, without interest, to wit:

Widening Hoboken avenue from Palisade avenue to Hoboken City line, lots 80, 82, 2 C, 4 C and 6 C, block 555	\$86 95
Improvement of Hopkins avenue, late Clinton avenue, from Palisade to Central avenue, lots 6 C, 4 C, 2 C and 80, block 555	814 06
Flagging, paving, curbing and grading Palisade avenue, from Hoboken to New York avenue, lots 80 and 82, block 555	419 00
Improvement of Newark avenue, from Five Corners to old Jersey City line, lots 6 C, 4 C, 2 C, 80 and 82, block 555	11 00

Provided all other assessments and taxes due on said property are paid in full with interest and costs, if any, and provided further that said payments are made within twenty days from the date of the passage of this resolution, otherwise the resolution to be null-et-void and of no effect.



On petition of The New Jersey Steamboat Company:

Resolved, That the assessment for personal taxes against the New Jersey Steamboat Company be fixed as follows:

For 1873 . . . . .	\$10,000
For 1880 . . . . .	10,000
For 1881 . . . . .	10,000
For 1882 . . . . .	10,000
For 1883 . . . . .	10,000

And that the City Collector be and he is hereby instructed to cancel the personal taxes on the payment of the tax rate on the above valuations for the above named years.

On petition of Henry Deubel:

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby authorized to cancel the reassessment made July 23d, 1874, for the improvement of Hopkins avenue, on lots 22 and 23, block 559, amounting to \$99.28, in the name of Henry Deubel, he having paid the original assessment levied on said lots.

On petition of John T. Hoag:

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby instructed to cancel the assessment levied for personal and poll tax at No. 108 Glenwood avenue, lots 35 and 36, blocks 145 and 147, Fifth district, in the name of John T. Hoag, for the years 1882 and 1883, valuation \$300, for the reason that the said John T. Hoag during said years was a non-resident, as is certified to by the Assessor of the Fifth district.

On petition of Abram Colled:

Resolved, That the petition of Abram Colled to have payment made on taxes of 1880, credited on taxes for 1883, on lot 2, block 704, be not granted for the reason that this Board has no authority for so doing.

On petition of Christopher Merry:

Resolved, That the petition of Christopher Merry for the cancellation of a tax sale, be not granted, the petitioner showing no good or sufficient reason for the same.

On petition of John A. Lane:

Resolved, That the petition of John A. Lane for the return of money paid in error on the wrong property for taxes of 1880, 6th district, be not granted, this Board having no authority to return the money under the circumstances, there being no duplicate payment, the petitioner must recover from the owner of the lot benefited.

On petition of C. C. Jewell:

Resolved, That the petition of C. C. Jewell for an adjustment of an assessment for the improvement of Lexington avenue be not granted for the reason that the city can only refund money paid in error when the payment is a duplicate one, and this Board has no authority to credit one lot with the payment made on another.

The ayes and nays having been called on the above resolutions, the reports of the committee were received and the resolutions adopted unanimously.

The Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies reported claims for payment, recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

On petition of John J. Corbett:

Resolved, That the sum of \$41.55 be paid to John J. Corbett for stationery furnished offce in City Hall.

On claim of Philip E. Martin:

Resolved, That the sum of \$12.40 be paid to Phillip E. Martin for gas fixtures, &c., for office of the Board of Finance and Taxation.

On claim of Schmolze Brothers & Hilderbrand:

Resolved, That the sum of \$55 be paid to Schmolze Brothers & Hilderbrand for one book of two hundred bonds.

On claim of the Argus:

Resolved, That the sum of \$81.60 be paid to the Argus for official advertising and printing manuals.

The ayes and nays having been called on the above resolutions, the reports of the committee were received and the resolutions adopted unanimously.

#### MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

By Mr. Jordan:

Resolved, That the City Comptroller be and he is hereby directed to draw a requisition upon the City Treasurer in favor of the Mutual Life Insurance Company, of New York, for the sum of forty thousand dollars (\$40,000), to pay bond numbered 415, dated January 21st, 1884.

By Mr. Datz:

Resolved, That the Clerk of this Board be and he is hereby directed to request the Board of Public Works to meet this Board in conference, Wednesday, March 26th, 1884, at 8 o'clock p. m., on subject of the collection of water rents.

By Mr. Heppenheim:

Resolved, That two warrants be drawn to the order of the Evening Journal Association, one for the sum of three thousand three hundred and fifty dollars and fifty cents and one for one thousand dollars for the publication of redemption notice for taxes of 1876-1877, as per agreement. The warrant for one thousand to be used only in payment of taxes, water rents or assessments due from the publishers of said Evening Journal.

Resolved, That two warrants be drawn to the order of the Argus Publishing Company, one for the sum of three thousand three hundred and fifty dollars and fifty cents, and one for one thousand dollars for the publication of redemption notices for taxes of 1876 and 1877, as per agreement, the warrant for one thousand dollars to be used only in payment of taxes, water rents and assessments due from the estate of Michael Mullone, deceased.

Resolved, That two warrants be drawn to the order of the Jersey City Herald, one for two thousand one hundred dollars, the other for five hundred and ten dollars and thirty cents for publication of notice of redemption for land sold for taxes for 1876-77 the said warrant for five hundred and ten dollars and thirty cents to be used only in payment of taxes, water rents and assessments due from the publishers of said paper, as per agreement heretofore made.

The ayes and nays having been called on, the above resolutions were adopted unanimously.

By Mr. McGill and carried—Moved that the Corporation Attorney be instructed to send to this Board his written opinion regarding the correctness of the title to the tract of land situate in the Greenville portion of the Sixth District, contemplated to be used for the erection of a school building.

On motion, adjourned.





Regular meeting of the Board of Finance and Taxation held in the City Hall, Wednesday, March 26, 1884, at 7:30 o'clock, p. m.

Present.—All the members.

On motion the reading of the minutes of the last regular meeting was dispensed with and they were approved as written.

#### PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS.

Petitions were received from Craw & Tyler, C. A. Totten, J. R. Boyce, E. W. Ackerman, Richard English, William H. Jacobus and John M. Shannon for compromise of assessments.

Petition of J. M. Shannon for an adjustment of taxes.

All the above petitions were received and referred to the Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments.

#### PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS.

Claim of the Hoboken Coal Company of \$29.75 for five gross tons of coal delivered at City Hall.

Received and referred to the Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies.

Claim of Edmund I. Koch of \$2,610.30 for publishing notice of redemption of taxes of 1876 and 1877.

Received and referred to the Committee on Finance and Claims.

#### OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

Communication from the City Clerk and City Collector requesting that certain property belonging to the Central Railroad Company and sold for unpaid taxes be cancelled for the reason that said property is exempt.

Received and referred to the Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments.

The City Comptroller reported the following total receipts of the City Treasury, March 20 to 26, 1884, both days included at \$21,272.72.

The City Treasurer reported the following total balance credited to all the accounts in the city depositories at the close of business this day to be \$101,543.19.

Both the above reports were received and ordered filed.

The following concurrent resolutions were received from the Board of Public Works, and referred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions:

1. Rescinding resolution adopted February 11th, 1884, instructing the Water Registrar to cancel all charges for water rents on vacant lots; also on buildings where water was not used.

2. Authorizing the Water Registrar to cancel all charges for water rents on vacant lots, and lots on which buildings stand wherein no water was introduced or used for the years for which such charges were made.

3. Authorizing Committee to lay water pipe in Virginia avenue from Jackson avenue to a point about 300 feet west thereof, on petition of F. W. Wright and others.

4. Opening, widening and changing as to boundaries of a street called Vreeland street, from the south line of Grand street to Bayview avenue, and referring the matter to the Commissioners of Assessment and the Chief Engineer.

5. Improvement of Sherman avenue from Ferry to Hutton street.

6. Ordering paid certain claims.

On motion the Board took a recess.

The Board reassembled, the following members present:

President McDermott, Messrs. Datz, Heppeneimer and Jordan.

Absent—Mr. McGill.

#### REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Finance and Claims reported on petition of Charles E. Newham for difference between old and new assessment, recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of Chas. E. Newham for the sum of \$310.39, being the difference between the old and new assessment for improvement of Newark avenue, from Five Corners to old Jersey City line, on lots 33, 36, block 528; warrant to be used to pay taxes, assessments or water rents.

The ayes and nays having been called on the above resolution the report of the Committee was received and the resolution adopted by the following vote:

Ayes—President McDermott, Messrs. Datz, Heppeneimer and Jordan.

Absent—Mr. McGill.

The Committee on Concurrent Resolutions reported on concurrent resolutions from the Board of Public Works recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the following resolutions, adopted by the Board of Public Works March 24, 1884, to wit:

Resolved, That by and with the concurrence of the Board of Finance and Taxation, about 350 lineal feet of six-inch cast iron water pipe be laid in Virginia avenue, from Jackson avenue to a point about 350 feet west thereof, on petition of F. W. Mangels and others, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the following resolution, adopted by the Board of Public Works March 24, 1884, to wit:

Whereas, The Supreme Court of the State of New Jersey has decided that the charges for water rents on vacant lots and lots on which buildings stand wherein water has not been introduced or used are illegal; therefore

Resolved, That by and with the concurrence of the Board of Finance and Taxation the Water Registrar be and is hereby directed to cancel all charges for water rents remaining unpaid on vacant lots and lots on which buildings stand, wherein no water was introduced or used for the year or years for which such charges were made, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

Resolved, That the Pay Roll resolution, adopted by the Board of Public Works March 17, 1884, as presented by the Committee on Pumping and Reservoirs, for time lost by employees at Belleville owing to the operation of the two-for-one rule from September, 1881, to January 1st, 1884, amounting to \$154.42, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

The ayes and nays having been called on the above resolutions the reports of the committee were received and the resolutions adopted by the following vote:

Ayes—President McDermott, Messrs. Datz, Heppeneimer, and Jordan.

Absent—Mr. McGill.

The Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments reported the salary list for the month of March, 1884, recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That warrants be drawn for the payment of salaries for the month of March, 1884, when due, viz.:

Isaac W. Taussig, Mayor,	-	-	\$166 66
Thos. Earle, City Treasurer,	-	-	200 00
John F. Kelly, City Comptroller,	26		
days	-	-	166 66
James H. Love, City Collector	-	-	200 00





William Brinkerhoff, Corporation Counsel,	333 33
Elijah T. Paxton, Corporation Attorney,	150 00
John T. Van Cleef, Clerk to Board of Finance and Taxation,	100 00
Isaac Morrow, Jr., Clerk to Treasurer,	100 00
George R. Hough, Clerk to Comptroller,	100 00
Andrew D. White, Assistant Collector	110 00
Clerks to Collector :	
S. D. Dickinson,	83 33
John T. M. Kaylar,	70 00
Lewis E. Smith,	70 00
William H. Tuttle,	70 00
Charles Krebs,	70 00
James E. Connelly,	70 00
Charles Freeman,	70 00
Patrick O'Neill, Messenger,	60 00
Charles S. Westervelt, Clerk to Comptroller,	70 00
William H. Powell, Marshal, Second District Court,	50 00
Menzies C. Cleveland, Agent for collection of Arrears of Personal tax,	75 00
Clerks to City Clerk :	
Thomas K. Halsted,	75 00
N. E. Feurey	75 00
R. L. Hudson	66 66
Assessors—	
James F. Gannon, First District	125 00
Dennis McLaughlin, Second District	125 00
Hugh Dugan, Third District	125 00
John Wright, Fourth District	125 00
Francis W. Mitchell, Fifth District	125 00
James C. Clarke, Sixth District	125 00
Printing minutes—	
The Argus	208 33
The Evening Journal Association	208 33
Cleaning rooms in City Hall—	
Elizabeth Lynch	30 00
Bridget Parker	30 00

The same committee reported the salary list for the members of the Board of Finance and Taxation, recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That warrants be drawn on the City Treasurer for the following amounts for salaries of the members of the Board of Finance and Taxation for the four months ending March 31, 1884:

Allan L. McDermott,	\$166 66
Emil E. Datz,	166 66
Otto Heppenheimer,	166 66
Thomas D. Jordan,	166 66

The same committee reported on petitions, recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

On petition of Craw and Tyler:

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby instructed to receive from Craw and Tyler, or representative, the face value of the following assessment, without interest:

Main sewer in Newark ave., from Five Corners to Hackensack River, confirmed April, 1874, on lots 1, 2, 3, 4, block 597,	\$67 20
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Provided all other assessments and taxes due on said property are paid in full, with interest and costs, if any; and provided further that said payments are made within twenty days from the date of the passage of this resolution, otherwise the resolution to be null et void and of no effect.

On petition of the Bergen Savings Bank:

Resolved, That the City Collector be authorized to receive from the Bergen Savings Bank, or its representatives, the following assessments, without interest:

Lot 19, block 516, as follows:

Nicholson pavement, West Grand St.,	\$143 23
Main sewer, Section A, Second Drainage District,	139 25
Imp. West Grand St., pile foundation,	6 40
Widening Communipaw ave.,	8 11
Widening Grand street	90 85

All other taxes, assessments and water rents due on said property to be paid in full, with accrued interest and penalties.

On lot K 24, block 521, the following assessments, without interest:	
Extension of Clinton ave.,	\$101 00
Sewer in Clinton ave	83 35
Improvement of Clinton avenue,	60 00
Vacation of Hilton street.	20 16

All other taxes, assessments and water rents to be paid in full with accrued interest and penalties.

On part of Plot No. 1, Block 515, all taxes and water rents to be paid in full, with accrued interest and penalties.

On Lot 7, Block 665, the following assessments, without interest.

Main sewer, First Drainage District,	\$ 30 17
Sewer in Grove street,	129 77
Improvement of Grand street,	161 61

All other taxes, assessments and water rents to be paid in full with accrued interest and penalties, provided however all the above payments are made within twenty days from the date of the approval of this resolution, otherwise the resolution to be null et void and of no effect.

On petition of the estate of Allen:

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby instructed to receive from the Estate of Allen, or representatives, the face value of the following assessment for sewer in South St. Ogden avenue and Cedar street.

Confirmed July, 1878, on Lots 18, 19 and 20, Block 787, amounting to \$634 00

Provided all other assessments and taxes due on the said property are paid in full with interest and costs, if any, and provided further that said payments are made within twenty days from the date of the date of the approval of this resolution, otherwise the resolution to be null et void and of no effect.

On petition of Michael Moran:

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby instructed to correct the valuation on lot 32, block 1,293, Sixth District, in the name of Michael Moran from \$150 to \$50 for taxes of 1883, the same being an error in copying as per certificate of the Assessor.

On petition of H. Londerbough:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer for the sum of \$15.15 in favor of H. Londerbough to return said amount, it being a duplicate payment for water rents for the year 1871 on lot 8, block 423, as certified by the Water Registrar.

On petition of Washington B. Williams:

Resolved. That the petition of Washington B. Williams for cancellation of tax sales as set forth in the annexed petition be referred to the Corporation Attorney for his opinion as to the legal rights of the petitioner.

On petition of B. M. Rommell:

Resolved, That the petition of B. M. Rommell for a compromise of assessment for improvement of Washington, now Pacific avenue, Maple to Grand streets, confirmed April, 1879, on lots 7 and 8, block 446, be not granted, no good or sufficient reason being shown.

The ayes and nays having been called for on each of the above resolutions, the reports of the committee were received and the resolutions adopted by the following vote;

Yeas—President McDermott, Messrs. Datz, Heppenheimer and Jordan.

Absent—Mr. McGill:



The Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies reported on claim of Edmund I. Koch, recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the sum of two thousand six hundred and ten dollars and thirty cents be paid to Edmund I. Koch, publisher of the New Jersey Free Presse, in full for publishing notice of redemption for lands sold for taxes of 1876-1877, as per agreement heretofore made.

The ayes and nays having been called on the above resolution, the report of the committee was received and the resolution adopted by the following vote:

Ayes—President McDermott, Messrs. Datz, Heppenheimer and Jordan.

Absent—Mr. McGill.

#### MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

By Mr. Heppenheimer:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of John D. McGill for the sum of \$125, being in full for salary as a member of the Board of Finance and Taxation for the three months ending March 31, 1884.

By Mr. Jordan:

Resolved, That an action at law be instituted in the State of New York against the corporation of the City of New York, for the recovery of five forty year seven per cent. bonds, numbered 358, 432, 424, 425 and 426, of the denomination of \$1,000 each, said bonds being in the custody of the Property Clerk of the Police Department of said City, and being five of a number of bonds unlawfully taken from this City by Alexander Hamilton, and that John Crook, a counselor of the State of New York, be authorized to commence such suit in the name of the Mayor and Aldermen of Jersey City, and

Resolved, That a warrant for the sum of \$250, be drawn to the order of John Crooke, the same to be received by him in full for his services under this resolution.

By Mr. Jordan:

Resolved, that a warrant be drawn upon the City Treasurer in favor of that officer for the sum of \$20,000 to transfer that amount from Assessment Account to General Account to return part of loan.

By Mr. Jordan:

Resolved, That warrants be ordered drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of that officer for the following amounts to be deposited in the Hudson County National Bank to the credit of interest account for April, 1884:

On General Account,	\$23,365
On General Account to pay interest on	
Assessment bonds,	17,185
On Water Account,	28,000

By Mr. Jordan:

Resolved, That the City Comptroller be, and he is hereby directed, to draw a requisition upon the City Treasurer in favor of the Commissioners of the Sinking Fund of 1873 to pay the principal and interest due on bonds as follows:

Nos. 228,	\$20,000
237,	35,000
238,	40,000
239,	25,000
240,	50,000
241,	50,000
	\$220,000
Interest at six per centum.	22,000
	\$242,000

The ayes and nays having been called on each of the above resolutions, they were adopted by the following vote:

Ayes—President McDermott, Messrs. Datz, Heppenheimer and Jordan.

Absent—Mr. McGill.

On motion the Board adjourned.

JOHN T. VAN CLEEF, Clerk.





Regular meeting of the Board of Finance and Taxation, held in the City Hall Wednesday, April 2nd, 1884, at 7.30 o'clock p. m.

Present—President McDermott, Messrs. Datz, Heppenheimer and Jordan.

Absent—Mr. McGill.

The reading of the minutes of the last regular meeting was dispensed with, and they were approved as written.

#### PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS.

Communication from James Howell requesting the return of his official bond as Inspector of Scales, Weights and Measures, his office having been declared vacant by the Board of Aldermen.

Received and referred to the Committee on Finance and Claims.

Petition of John Schofield for an adjustment of water rents.

Petition of the South Bergen Reformed Church to have taxes cancelled.

Petition of W. B. Van Vorst, John B. Burns, and Cornelius Van Horne for compromise of assessments.

All the above petitions were received and referred to the Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments.

#### PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS.

Claim of John J. Corbett of \$99.50 for stationery and printing; claim of the N. J. Telephone and Telegraph Co. of \$19.60 for rent of instrument and tollage.

Both the above claims were received and referred to the Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies.

#### OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

Menzie C. Cleveland, agent for the collection of arrears of personal tax, reported that he had collected to Saturday, March 29th, 1884, the sum of \$208.26. Received and ordered filed.

#### COMMUNICATION FROM THE CORPORATION ATTORNEY.

JERSEY CITY, March 27, 1884.

To the Honorable Board of Finance and Taxation:

Gentlemen—The title to the property in that portion of Jersey City known as Greenville, which the city has been asked to purchase for school purposes, is defective. I suggest that the defect could be covered by proceedings in Chancery and believe that such have been instituted for that purpose.

Very respectfully,

E. T. PAXTON, Corporation Attorney.

Received and ordered filed.

The following concurrent resolutions were received from the Board of Public Works and referred to the Committee on Concurrent Resolutions.

Pay-roll of the Committee on Water Rate and Assessments for the month of March, 1884, amounting to \$1,300.02.

2. Authorizing committee to lay water pipe in Church street from end of pipe now laid south of Baldwin avenue to 85 feet south thereof.

3. Ordering paid certain claims.

On motion the Board took a recess.

On reassembling the same members were present.

#### REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Concurrent Resolutions reported on concurrent resolution from the Board of Public Works recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the pay-roll resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works March 31st, 1884, as presented by the Committee on Water

Rates and Assessments, amounting to \$1,500.02, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

The ayes and nays having been called on the above resolution the report of the committee was received and the resolution adopted by the following vote:

Ayes—President McDermott, Messrs. Datz, Heppenheimer, and Jordan.

Absent—Mr. McGill.

The Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments reported on petitions, recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

On petition of William Murray:

Resolved, That in order to distinguish correctly between the two portions of lot 9, block 383, assessed partly in the name of William Murray and partly in the name of the estate of John Halligan, the City Collector be instructed to designate on the records for the assessment for building sewer in South Eighth street, Putnam and Monmouth, connecting with South Seventh street sewer, that part of Lot 9 assessed to William Murray as the northerly portion of Lot 9, Block 383 and that part assessed to estate of John Halligan as the southerly portion of Lot 9, Block 383, so that each owner may be responsible for his individual share of said assessment.

On petition of J. R. Royce:

Resolved, That the City Collector be and is hereby instructed to receive from J. R. Royce the assessment on Lots 7, 8, Block 357, for improvement of Cole street, South Second to North Second, confirmed July 2d, 1869, amounting to \$9.04 without interest, provided all other assessments and taxes due on said property are paid in full with interest and costs, if any, and provided said payments are made within twenty days from the date of the passage of this resolution, otherwise the resolution to be null et void and of no effect.

On petition of Richard English:

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby instructed to receive from Richard English or representatives the following assessments without any interest, to wit:

On lots 1 to 12, inclusive, block 733,	
improvement of Palisade avenue . . .	\$1,506 00
Sewer in Palisade avenue . . . . .	645 00
Sewer in Third Ward . . . . .	324 00

Provided all other assessments and taxes due on said property are paid in full, with interest and cost, if any; and, provided further, that said payments are made within twenty days from the date of the passage of this resolution, otherwise the resolution to be null et void and of no effect.

On petition of John M. Shannon:

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby instructed to receive from John M. Shannon the following assessments, without interest, on lots Nos. 6, 9, 11, block 553, to wit:

Improvement of Concord street, from St. Paul's avenue to Hoboken avenue, confirmed 1878. . . . .	\$288 00
Improvement Concord street, Fleet street to Hopkins avenue, confirmed 1878. . . . .	205 59

Provided all other assessments and taxes due on said property are paid in full, with interest and costs, if any; and, provided further, that said payments are made within twenty days from the date of the passage of this resolution, otherwise the resolution to be null et void and of no effect.

On petition of William H. Jacobus:

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby instructed to receive from William H. Jacobus or his representative the face value of the following assessments on Lots 12, 13, 14 and 15, block 147, without interest, to wit:



Grading Van Winkle avenue confirmed 1870, \$355 66  
 Improvement of Hoboken avenue, confirmed 1871, 27 50  
 Improvement Newark avenue, Five Corners to old Jersey City line, confirmed 1878, 26 00  
 Main sewer in Newark avenue, Five Corners to Hackensack River, confirmed 1874, 75 31  
 Provided all other assessments and taxes due on said property are paid in full with interest and costs, if any; and provided further that said payments are made within twenty days from the date of the passage of this resolution, otherwise the resolution to be null and void and of no effect.

On petition of C. A. Totten:

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby instructed to receive from C. A. Totten the face value of the following assessments on Lot paat of 2, block 527, without any interest:

Improvement of Newark avenue, Five Corners to old Jersey City line, confirmed 1878, \$287 00  
 Sewer in Newark avenue, Oakland to Summit avenue, confirmed 1878, 285 00  
 Provided all other assessments and taxes due on said property are paid in full with interest and costs, if any; and provided further that said payments are made within twenty days from the date of the passage of this resolution, otherwise the resolution to be null and void and of no effect.

On petition of William Murray:

Resolved, That the City Clerk be and he is hereby instructed to cancel the sales made to the City Treasurer of lot 9, block 244, in the name of John Milligan, February 9, 1860, for unpaid water rents of 1868, and March 28, 1861, for unpaid water rents of 1859, and February, 7, 1862, for unpaid water rents of 1860, said property being exempt from water rents under decision of Supreme Court.

On petition of the Philadelphia and Reading Railroad Company for cancellation of tax sales on property exempt from taxation.

Resolved, That the City Clerk be and he is hereby requested to cancel from his records the following described sales to the City Treasurer, being now in the possession of the Philadelphia and Reading Railroad Company.

1. Sale made March 13, 1872, for taxes of 1870, block 635, Virginia avenue, twice assessed.

2. Sale made September 26, 1873, for taxes of 1871, block 335, lot 448, Essex street, twice assessed.

3. Sale made September 26, 1873, for taxes of 1871, block 336, lot 390, Morris street, twice assessed.

4. Sale made September 26, 1873 for taxes of 1871, blocks 680, 681 and 688, under water and exempt at the time from taxation.

5. Sale made August 25, 1879, taxes of 1872, block 457, equal to 30 lots, "Round House," exempt at the time from taxation.

Also block 635 Jackson avenue station, property exempt by Commissioners of Appeal in cases of taxation in 1881.

The ayes and nays having been called on the above resolutions the reports of the committee were received and the resolutions adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—President McDermott, Messrs. Datz, Heppenheimer and Jordan.

Absent—Mr. McGill.

The Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies reported on claim of Charles H. Scott recommending the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the sum of \$50.82 be paid to Charles H. Scott for carpenter work in City Hall.

The ayes and nays having been called on the above resolution the report of the committee was received and the resolution adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—President McDermott, Messrs. Datz, Heppenheimer and Jordan.

Absent—Mr. McGill.

#### MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

On motion the Board adjourned.

JOHN T. VAN CLEE, Clerk.



Special meeting of the Board of Finance and Taxation, held in the City Hall Monday, April 7th, 1884, at 8 o'clock a. m.

Present—President McDermott, Messrs. Datz, Heppenheimer and Jordan.

Absent—Mr. McGill.

By Mr. Jordan:

Resolved, That the Committee on Finance of this Board be and they are hereby authorized to sell registered or coupon bonds, at not less than par, bearing six per cent. interest, under and by virtue of the provisions of an act entitled "An act concerning cities in this State."

approved February 24th, 1884, in sufficient amounts to fund the floating debt of the city and pay bonds falling due within one year as authorized by said act.

The ayes and nays having been called on the above resolution it was adopted by the following vote:

Ayes—President McDermott, Messrs. Datz Heppenheimer and Jordan.

Absent—Mr. McGill.

On motion, the Board adjourned.

JOHN T. VAN CLEEF, Clerk.





Regular meeting of the Board of Finance and Taxation held in the City Hall, Wednesday, April 9, 1884, at 8 o'clock p. m.

Present—All the members.

On motion the reading of the minutes of the last regular meeting was dispensed with and they were approved as printed in manual form.

#### PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS.

Petitions for compromise of assessments were received from George Blakey and E. W. Ackerman, both of which were referred to the Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments.

#### PRESENTATION OF CLAIMS.

Claim of A. B. Reynolds of \$5 for supplies and oil.

Received and referred to the Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies.

#### OFFICIAL COMMUNICATIONS.

Itemized requisition from the City Comptroller for stationery.

Received and referred to the Committee on Printing, Stationery and Supplies with power.

The City Comptroller reported the following total receipts of the City Treasurer, April 3rd to 9th, 1884, both days included, at \$15,199.88.

Received and ordered filed.

Petition of E. F. C. Young, William Clarke, E. W. Kingsland, Colgate & Co., James R. Thompson & Co., J. H. Gautier & Co., and others, requesting the appointment of James F. Gannon as Assessor of the First District.

Received and ordered filed.

On motion the Board took a recess.

On reassembling the same members were present.

#### MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

By Mr. Jordan:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn upon the City Treasurer in favor of that officer for the sum of three thousand dollars to transfer that amount from general account to water account as a loan.

By Mr. Jordan:

Resolved, That a warrant be drawn on the City Treasurer in favor of George H. Farrier, County Collector, for the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) to be applied on account of county taxes for the year 1883.

The ayes and nays having been called on each of the above resolutions they were adopted unanimously.

Mr. McGill moved that the Board do now proceed to the election of Assessors of the various districts for the ensuing year.

Mr. Datz moved to lay the above motion on the table.

The motion to lay on the table was put and lost by the following vote:

Ayes—Messrs. Datz and Jordan.

Nays—President McDermott, Messrs. Heppenheimer and McGill.

The Board then proceeded to elect by districts.

Mr. Heppenheimer nominated James F. Gannon for Assessor of the First District.

The Clerk was appointed to act as teller.

One ballot was taken, resulting as follows:

James F. Gannon received three votes; two blank votes were cast.

James F. Gannon having received a majority of the votes cast, the President declared him elected Assessor of the First District for the ensuing year.

Mr. McGill nominated Dennis McLaughlin for Assessor of the Second District.

The Clerk acting as teller.

One ballot was taken, resulting as follows:

Dennis McLaughlin received three votes; two blank votes were cast.

Dennis McLaughlin having received a majority of the votes cast, the President declared him elected Assessor of the Second District for the ensuing year.

Mr. Heppenheimer nominated Hugh Dugan for Assessor of the Third District.

The Clerk acting as teller.

One ballot was taken resulting as follows:

Hugh Dugan received three votes; two blank votes were cast.

Hugh Dugan having received a majority of the votes cast the President declared him elected Assessor of the Third District for the ensuing year.

Mr. McGill nominated Stephen P. Yoe for Assessor of the Fourth District.

The Clerk acting as teller.

One ballot was taken resulting as follows:

Stephen P. Yoe received three votes; two blank votes were cast.

Stephen P. Yoe having received a majority of the votes cast the President declared him elected Assessor of the Fourth District for the ensuing year.

Mr. McGill nominated James T. Lillis for Assessor of the Fifth District.

The Clerk acting as teller.

One ballot was taken resulting as follows:

James T. Lillis received three votes; two blank votes were cast.

James D. Lillis having received a majority of the votes cast the President declared him elected Assessor of the Fifth District for the ensuing year.

Mr. McGill nominated James C. Clarke for Assessor of the Sixth District.

The Clerk acting as teller.

One ballot was taken resulting as follows:

James C. Clarke received three votes; two blank votes were cast.

James C. Clarke having received a majority of the votes cast the President declared him elected Assessor of the Sixth District for the ensuing year.

By Mr. Heppenheimer:

Resolved, That the present term of office of William Brinkerhoff as Corporation Counsel shall and does by virtue of this resolution expire on the 12th day of April, 1884.

The ayes and nays having been called on the above resolution it was adopted unanimously.

By Mr. Heppenheimer:

Resolved, That William Brinkerhoff be and he is hereby appointed Corporation Counsel of Jersey City for the term of two years, to commence April 12, 1884, at a salary of four thousand dollars per annum, payable monthly, said Counsel to execute a contract with the Mayor and Aldermen of Jersey City to perform the duties of said office at the salary fixed as aforesaid during the period aforesaid.

The ayes and nays having been called on the above resolution it was adopted by the following vote:

Ayes—President McDermott, Messrs. Heppenheimer and McGill.

Nays—Messrs. Datz and Jordan.

By Mr. Heppenheimer:

Resolved, That the present term of office of Elijah T. Paxton as Corporation Attorney shall and does, by virtue of this resolution, expire on the 12th day of April, 1884.

The ayes and nays having been called on the above resolution it was adopted unanimously.

By Mr. Heppenheimer:

Resolved, That Elijah T. Paxton be and he is hereby appointed Corporation Attorney of Jersey City for the term of two years, to commence April 12th, 1884, at a salary of eighteen hundred dollars per annum, payable monthly,



said Attorney to execute a contract with the Mayor and Aldermen of Jersey City to perform the duties of said office at the salary fixed as aforesaid during the period aforesaid.

The ayes and nays having been called on the above resolution, it was adopted by the following vote:

Ayes—President McDermott, Messrs, Heppenheimer and McGill.

Nays—Messrs. Datz and Jordan.

By Mr. Datz, and carried:

Moved, That when this Board adjourns, it be to meet Saturday, April 12th, 1884, at eleven o'clock a. m.

On motion the Board adjourned.

JOHN T. VAN CLEEF, Clerk.





Regular adjourned meeting of the Board of Finance and Taxation held in the City Hall, Saturday, April 12th, 1884, at 11 o'clock, a. m.  
Present—All the members.

#### REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Concurrent Resolutions reported on concurrent resolution from the Board of Public Works, recommending the adoption of the following resolution.

Resolved, That the following resolution adopted by the Board of Public Works, March 31st, 1884, to wit :

Resolved, That by and with the concurrence of the Board of Finance and Taxation, about eighty-five lineal feet of six inch cast iron water pipe be laid in Church street, from end of pipe now laid south of Baldwin avenue, to a point 85 feet south thereof, on petition of G. A. Soffeld, be and is hereby concurred in by the Board of Finance and Taxation.

The ayes and nays having been called on the above resolution, the report of the Committee was received and the resolution adopted unanimously.

The Committee on Salaries, Taxes and Assessments reported recommending the adoption of the following resolutions:

On petition of John B. Bruns:

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby authorized and instructed to receive from John B. Bruns, or his representative, the face value of the following assessments, without any interest, to wit!

Improvement of West Grand street, pile foundation, lot 21, block 664, confirmed 1874..... \$7.11  
Establishing grade on Grove street, &c. lot 60, block 61, confirmed 1867..... 63

Provided, all other assessments and taxes due on said property are paid in full, with interest and costs, if any; and provided that said payments are made within twenty days from the date of the passage of this resolution, otherwise the resolution to be null et void and of no effect.

On petition of Cornelius Van Horn:

Resolved, That the City Collector be and he is hereby authorized and instructed to receive from Cornelius Van Horn or representatives the face value of the following assessments, without any interest, on lot 48, block 436, to wit:

Widening and extension of Walnut street, conf'd 1878.....	\$6 00
Imp. of Walnut street, now Johnson ave., Grand to Pine, 1878.....	151 00
Sewer in Walnut street, from Morris Canal to Pine, 1874.....	119 47

Provided all other assessments and taxes due on said property are paid in full, with interest and costs, if any; and provided that said payments are made within twenty days from the date of the passage of this resolution, otherwise the resolution to be null et void and of no effect.

On petition of Craw and Tyler:

Resolved, That the City Clerk be and he is hereby instructed to cancel the sale made to the City Treasurer on March 13th, 1872, for unpaid water rents of 1870, on lots 1 to 7, block 161, assessed to Hiram J. King, said property being vacant lots and exempt from water rents under the decision of the Supreme Court.

On petition of William B. Van Vorst:

Resolved, That the petition of William B. Van Vorst for a compromise of an assessment far a sewer in Wayne street from 100 feet west of Putnam, now Monmouth to Henderson on lot 9, block 273, confirmed July 9, 1879, be not granted, no good or sufficient reason having been shown, the assessment appearing to be just and fair.

The ayes and nays having been called on each of the above resolutions, the reports of the committee were received and the resolutions adopted unanimously.

#### MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

President McDermott called Mr. Jordan to the Chair.

By President McDermott:

Moved, That a vote of thanks of this Board, both in its personal and representative capacity, be tendered to John D. McGill, the retiring member.

The motion was seconded.

President McDermott having spoken appropriately to the motion, it was carried by the following vote:

Ayes—President McDermott, Messrs. Datz, Heppenheimer and Jordan.

Mr. McGill not voting.

On motion the Board adjourned sine die.

JOHN T. VAN CLEFT, CLERK

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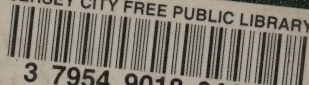
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